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**TOWN
of
MERRIMAC
MASSACHUSETTS
ANNUAL
REPORT**



1995

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
OFFICERS, BOARDS
&
COMMITTEES
of the
TOWN of MERRIMAC
MASSACHUSETTS

for the Year Ending December 31, 1995



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In
Memoriam
to those
Who Have Held
Public Office
in the
Town of Merrimac

Wallace P. Spencer

Robert Emery

Clifford Clark
Merrimac Fire Department

Arnold Spofford
Planning Board

Kenneth Dow
Reserve Police Officer

DIRECTORY OF ELECTED OFFICERS

Moderator

One Year

Robert Bender

Board of Selectmen

Three Years

Jeffrey W. Hoyt, Chairman

Walter W. Steeves

Sandra H. Venner

Term Expires 1996

Term Expires 1998

Term Expires 1997

Town Treasurer

Three Years

Rodger Morphet

Board of Assessors

Three Years

Martha A. Schena, Chairman

Edward R. Davis

George W. Mutti

Term Expires 1998

Term Expires 1997

Term Expires 1996

Planning Board

Five Years

Arthur Evans, Chairman

Earl Baumgardner

Joseph Carter

Arthur O'Keefe

Richard Gosselin

Term Expires 2000

Term Expires 1997 99

Term Expires 1998

Term Expires 1999 99

Term Expires 1996

Evelyn Greeley, Secretary

Constables

Arthur D. Evans

Brian W. Peavey

James M. Seymour

Tree Warden

Wayne Armstrong

Town Clerk

Three Years

Patricia True

Board of Health

Mark Zagranis, Chairman	Term Expires 1996
Joseph Carey	Term Expires 1997
Paula Hamel	Term Expires 1998

School Committee

Three Years

Anthony Repucci	Term Expires 1998
Jean MacDougall-Tatten	Term Expires 1996
Rhonda Page	Term Expires 1997
Lynda Williams	Term Expires 1997

Trustees of Public Library

Three Years

Rick Pinciario, Chairman	Term Expires 1997
Jeffrey W. Hoyt	Term Expires 1998
Linda Seymour	Term Expires 1998
Susan M. Coburn	Term Expires 1997
Yvonne D. Cosgrove	Term Expires 1996
Joy Kimball	Term Expires 1996

Playground Commission

Three Years

Michael Stevens, Chairman	Term Expires 1997
Wayne Bickford	Term Expires 1996
David W. Riley	Term Expires 1998
James Hume	Term Expires 1997
Thomas Graziano	Term Expires 1997

Municipal Light Commissioners

Three Years

Gordon Rines	Term Expires 1996
Norman Sande	Term Expires 1998
David Vance	Term Expires 1997

Municipal Water Commissioners

Three Years

Gordon Rines	Term Expires 1996
Norman Sande	Term Expires 1998
David Vance	Term Expires 1997

Cemetery Trustees

Three Years

James Hume	Term Expires 1997
Larry Fisher	Term Expires 1996
Richard Fournier	Term Expires 1998

Sewer Commissioners

Three Years

Arthur Evans, Chairman	Term Expires 1998
John Cryan	Term Expires 1996
Richard Powers	Term Expires 1997

Merrimac Housing Authority

Five Years

Geraldine Shepherd, Chairman	Term Expires 1999
Barbara J. Arbour	Term Expires 2000
Richard Emery	Term Expires 1997
Dorothy Olson	Term Expires 1996
Steven True	Term Expires 1998

DIRECTORY OF APPOINTED OFFICERS

Finance Committee

Geoffrey Milstein, Chairman
Janet Bruno

John Page
Maryellen Meegan

Joseph McKenna

Board of Appeals

Patrick Melican
Gordon Broz
Philip Parry (resigned 11/1/95)

Ellen Evans
Charlotte S. Nachbar
Susan Clark, Secretary

Conservation Commission

Louis Nucci, Chairman
Bruce Evans
Paul Geoghegan

Allan Pollock
Robert Prokop
Robert Topitzer

Arthur Yarranton

Building Inspector

Robert S. Sinibaldi

Rent Control Board

George Bedard

Sandra Venner

David Gudjonsson

Fire Department

Brian W. Peavey, Chief

Ralph Spencer, Deputy Chief Norman Armstrong, Deputy Chief

Plumbing & Gas Inspector

Gaetano Caruso

Wiring Inspector

Roy Keiser

Highway Department

Gordon Rines, Supt.

Board of Registrars

Evelyn Greeley
Madeline Lay

Dorothy Whiting

Mary Parry
Patricia True

Town Counsel

Ashod N. Amirian

Town Accountant

David Hitchcock

Selectmen's Secretary

Barbara J. Arbour

Animal Control Officer & Inspector of Animals

Bonnie Buckley

Arts Council

Nanette Becker
Colleen Fiorello
Nicholas Fiorello
Judy Flynn
Laura Linard

Nancy Hocking-McDonough
Kathy Meuse
Dorothy Patten
Hanna Trautmann
Ann Tucker

Veterans' Agent

Zillah Buzzell

Sworn Weighers

Harold Waterhouse

Historical Commission

Evelyn Calnan
Walter Calnan
Betty Emery
Kenneth Fowle

Jeffrey W. Hoyt
Charlotte McCarron
John Pease
Sandy Pease

Recycling Committee

Patricia Dillon, Chairperson
Mary Lyons
Lynda Williams

Tony Roberts

Debbie Knight
Bruce Evans
Walter Perkins

Council on Aging

Mary Cheney
Colleen Fiorello
Herb Gynan
Irene Kimbrell
Dorothy Lumsden

Terri Walden

Inez Lund
Roy Minihan
James Murphy
Elizabeth Pittman
Ellie Adams

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police

James A. Flynn

Patrolmen

Arthur D. Evans

David J. Vance

Stephen M. Ringette

John K. Meuse

Dispatchers

Linda A. Seymour, Clerk/Dispatcher

Bonnie J. Bishop

Roseane Ryerson

Thomas A. Sayers

Reserve Officers

Edward A. Cardone, Jr.

William E. Graham, II

William C. Matatall

Robert A. Michaud, Jr.

David C. Rich

James M. Seymour

Kenneth W. Dow

Royster H. Johnson

Michael R. McGrath

Mark E. Sayers

Eric M. Shears

Edward M. Syvinski

Brian M. Thiboult

Clayton K. Turner, Sr., *Life Honorary Police Officer*

Alan Hassig, *Honorary Police Officer*

Richard G. Noone, *Honorary Police Officer*

Part-Time Dispatchers

Richard Herbert

Edward M. Shears

Carol Buzzell

Richard Beaupre

Joyce E. Nevins

Wayne G. Smart, II

Brian W. Peavey, Jr.

Matrons

Carol A. Buzzell

Bonnie J. Bishop

Roseane M. Ryerson

Joyce E. Nevins

Linda A. Seymour

Jane F. Rines

Crossing Guards

Wayne Armstrong

Susan Metz

Madeline A. Lay

Cindy Haskell

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

BOARD of SELECTMEN

for the year ending December 31,1995

To the Citizens of Merrimac:

We are pleased to report that 1995 has been another year of stability and progress for the Town of Merrimac. The latest school building projects have been completed and are now fully bonded. Work on the closure of our landfill is well under way with a substantial savings to the tax payers. For a second year, we have a healthy amount of “free cash” and the Stabilization Account is now well funded. Long range planning has commenced in the areas of capital expenditures, open space and recreational needs, as well as the improvement of our zoning by-laws.

The town has come a far distance from five years ago when some department budgets were cut by 5 to 50%, one police officer’s position was eliminated as well as one worker on the highway department, and it took three sessions of town meeting to balance the budget. It should be acknowledged that our present healthy financial status has been aided by the full regionalization of the Pentucket school district and the passage of the Education Reform Act.

While the overall standing of the town improved in 1995, personal tragedy visited our small community with the sudden and tragic death of our beloved Fire Chief Wallace Spencer. Words cannot adequately express the grief and sorrow caused by his passing. Wally’s affable nature and smiling good humor endeared him to all who knew him. He is sadly missed by his family, friends, fellow firefighters, and the community at large. It is, therefore, with pride and pleasure that we dedicate this edition of Merrimac’s annual town report in grateful memory of Chief “Wally” Spencer.

Reorganization of the leadership in the Fire Department was necessitated by the untimely death of Chief Spencer. Norman W. Armstrong was appointed by the Board of Selectmen as the third Deputy Chief and Brian W. Peavey, Sr., was selected as the new Chief. Town meeting voted to give the full-time Fire Department position to Ralph Spencer because his work arrangement left him more available and, as a certified EMT, he could respond to ambulance calls during the day.

At the special town meeting, convened before the annual, voters honored the agreement made the year before regarding employee salaries. They granted the additional 2% retroactive pay increase (because the money was now available) thereby making a total 5% increase for town employees for FY 95. Also voted at this time was an additional 1.235 million dollars for completion of certain construction projects at the Pentucket Regional School complex. At the annual town meeting, public safety motivated decisions to hire a fourth full-time police officer and to set aside \$100,000 dollars in the Stabilization Account for correcting problems with our fire department ladder truck. The fire department has worked hard on this problem and should have a solution at the next special or annual town meeting.

After the annual elections, in May, the Board of Selectman reorganized with Jeffrey W. Hoyt as Chairman and Sandra H. Venner as Clerk. Each selectman has also taken on special assignments. Selectperson Venner continues to serve on the Rent Control Board and the Pentucket Regional Agreement Task Force. She has also volunteered to serve as the Selectman-delegate on the newly formed Capital Planning Committee and has played a dynamic role in creating and organizing an Open Space policy committee. Selectman Steeves is our ADA coordinator, has served on the Pentucket Middle School Council and is presently the Vice President of the Essex County Selectmen's Association. Selectman Hoyt serves as the town's voting delegate to the Essex County Advisory Board and is an original member of a sub-committee on Regional Services. He has chaired an *ad hoc* committee to revise and up-date our zoning by-laws and also serves on the Open Space committee.

The status of the town's unlined landfill on Battis Road is an important matter that the Board of Selectmen continue to address. The town was required by the Department of Environmental Protection to sign a consent order to close the landfill in 1997 as a condition of being allowed to receive Front End Process Residue (FEPR) from the trash to energy plant at Biddeford, Maine. The benefits of receiving the FEPR are two-fold: it provides contour and grade material to shape the landfill for capping and generates substantial revenue for closure (\$300,000 by the end of the 1996 fiscal year). The credit for this unique opportunity for the Town of Merri-mac rests with Arthur Schofield, Inc., our landfill operator.

Once closed, the landfill will need to be capped. The town applied for and has been accepted to receive clay for capping from Boston's Central Artery

project. With Merrimac being so far from Boston, however, no contractor has taken a state bid to deliver this material anywhere within our area. The clay and delivery would be free. The prospects of this happening seem dubious at this time but the Board of Selectmen shall closely examine any possibilities.

The Schofields have done an excellent job of preliminary site preparation for closure. They have graded and seeded the east slope of the borrow area; properly shaped the drainage swales; saved, screened, and stockpiled yards of loam; and installed a roadbed on the north side for an access road.

When the landfill closes, the town will have to make alternative arrangements for the disposal of its solid waste. Several solutions are possible. A commercial service would likely cost an additional \$300,000 to \$500,000 dollars for door to door collection. The Selectmen are working on a less costly plan to secure a parcel of land near the Broad Street exit off Route 495 and locate a small transfer station with improved accommodations for recycling. Public input will be sought before a decision is made.

The recycling program deserves special mention. Overall program management has been supervised by a dedicated seven member volunteer committee chaired by Patty Dillon. Linda Williams has been hired to be the supervisor for scheduling the monitors, authorizing pay rolls, and arranging vendor services. The dramatic increase in the volume of materials recycled during the past three years is remarkable (see the committee report). It is impressive that our small town collects a larger variety of materials, especially plastics, than communities of much larger size. Recycling is not only good for the environment but it saves the tax payer money in two ways— from the sale of goods and the reduced cost of disposal at our landfill. We also applaud the efforts of our citizens for their growing participation.

A word or two should be said about the delay in setting the FY96 tax rate. J. Roger Morphett, our conscientious and capable new Treasurer entered office with a mountain of projects before him. Beyond the staggering task of learning all the details and intricacies of the Treasurer's routine duties, the computer systems, and the requirements of the law— he also faced a major bonding project for the school construction projects. He spent extra time in a noble effort to improve our bond rating with Moody's. Meanwhile, reconciliation of cash flow with the town accountant was a slow and pains taking process. This delay is what caused the tax rate to be set later that

usual, however, with no increased cost to the town. This also explains why the third quarter tax bill will be issued as a “voluntary” payment and we thank you for your cooperation.

A larger increase that expected in the tax rate will be caused by the lateness of completing the last of the school building projects and the subsequent delay in completing the final audit. With the audit not having been completed by November 1, 1995, the state will be delaying some of the construction reimbursement. This delay means that state funds will not cushion the increase in the tax rate resulting from the vote of the town to cover the cost of the school building project through debt exclusion. The full amount of reimbursement will come in next year.

The fifteen year contract with New England Cablevision will expire in December of 1997. A cable television Advisory Committee has been appointed by the Board of Selectmen to start negotiations for a new contract. The current members are Jack Cryan, Paul Warden, Dorothy Patten, Geraldine Wallace, Rocco Fosillo, and Ellen Colburn (representing the elementary schools). More positions are available and any citizen wishing to join should apply to the Selectmen.

After receiving a special permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals, a lease was signed with Nextel Communications of Newton, MA, to erect a 135 foot monopole on Tucker Hill, beside the water stand pipe, for wire-less telephone communications. The structure was completed in July. In addition to the added revenue to the town is the benefit of having a chain link fence placed around the water tower.

Late in the year, residents of River Road petitioned to have the town sewer line extended to their area. The Board of Health, Sewer Commissioners, and Board of Selectmen are working in concert to arrive at a solution.

Three major projects have been undertaken to enhance our long range planning. Foremost among these is the creation of an Open Space and Recreation master plan. The need for such a plan was highlighted when several parcels of land on Locust Street and River Road were offered to the town for first refusal under the provisions of Chapter 61A (agricultural preservation). In order for the town to qualify for state grants and most other land trust monies, we had to have in place an up to date five year plan for Open Space and Recreation. Selectperson Venner has been the spearhead in organizing this project. There has been wonderful cooperation and

involvement from the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Playground Commission, Historical Commission, Finance Committee and any number of enthusiastic volunteers. A town-wide survey has been distributed and tabulated. A thorough report is being compiled regarding every aspect of the town's environmental and recreational status. A public hearing is scheduled for February of 1996 and in the spring work will culminate in shaping the five year plan.

The second proactive project involves the creation of a Capital Planning Committee. Their charge is to look at and prioritize the capital needs of all town departments for the next five years. The present membership includes one Selectman, the chairman of the Finance Committee, the Town Treasurer, and several citizens at large. For the first year the elected chairman is Jim Dykes. The committee hopes to be ready to make recommendations for the 1996 annual town meeting. They have also constructed language for amending our town by-laws to make the committee permanent and on going.

The third matter involves the weaknesses in our current zoning by-laws. After years of criticism, and *ad hoc* committee was created by the Selectmen to examine the by-laws and suggest a course of action. The committee has been chaired by Selectman Hoyt and the original members included the Chairman of the Planning Board, the former Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Building Inspector, and any interested citizens. The meetings have been open to the public. After much discussion, it was decided that a major revision of our zoning by-laws and the zoning map is in order. Such a project will require funding from the town, Planning Board leadership, and Merrimack Valley Planning Commission assistance. For now, though, it was thought best to act fast and make the most important changes or additions to give the town immediate protection where the present by-laws are inadequate and let the more comprehensive work come later.

In the "thank you" department there are at least two groups deserving special mention. The Highway Department, under the direction of Superintendent Gordon Rines, deserves another pat on the back for keeping our roads clear and very well plowed this winter. So, too, the Finance Committee has devoted many hours to keep on top our complex budget and provide fiscal guidance.

We also wish to recognize several groups that are outside town government but continually make valuable contributions to the community. The major

fund raising musical for the Santa Parade “Steppin’ Out” was their 26th annual production and played, as usual, to a capacity crowd. The Santa Parade itself was also another well organized and colorful annual event. We thank all of those involved for their hard work and excellent community spirit.

The “Old Home Days” events were again diverse and well attended. A special word of thanks goes to Jim Hume for his tireless devotion to this worthwhile project and all those individuals and organizations who contributed.

Last, we want to acknowledge the good job being done by all elected and appointed town officials. The civic duty you perform for the town of Merrimac is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey W. Hoyt, *Chairman*

Sandra H. Venner

Walter W. Steeves

Annual Report of the Merrimac Housing Authority

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

The Merrimac Housing Authority served the town during 1995 with 3 separate housing programs. Each program assists a different population in need of decent, safe, and sanitary housing. Currently, we serve elderly, handicapped and low income families through both public housing developments, and leased housing programs.

1995 was another year of change and improvement for the Authority. A housing Modernization grant awarded in November of 1994 in the amount of \$116,000 was increased to assist us with roof replacement of Merri-Village, as well as repair work and deleading work at 4 of our family housing units. The work is currently in the design phase, and is expected to take place in the summer of 1996. The MHA, in conjunction with the Amesbury Housing Authority, installed a new phone system which includes voice mail. This system allows the general public and our residents to be more quickly connected to the person or department they have inquiries on. During 1995 the MHA experienced a complete turnover in its administrative staff. The Authority was also forced, (due to budgetary reductions at the state level) to hold its budget at 1994 levels. However, the MHA has also made great progress in building up its operating reserve account, and is now considered to be on very solid ground in that area. The Authority also was audited by an independent CPA firm for the period July 1, 1994 through June 30, 1995, and was found to have no significant problems with its administrative and financial operations.

During the past calendar year the authority had 12 vacancies all at Merri-Village. All were filled with applicants from our state waiting list, which is still fairly short when compared to other agencies in the area. As part of a new regulation signed by Governor Weld in November 1995, and supported by the Merrimac Housing Authority, senior citizens who are residents of Merrimac, can now get a Veterans' preference in Elderly Housing if eligible. We encourage local residents who may qualify to apply. Further, the new law now makes individuals who are age 60 eligible for elderly housing. Previously the age was set at age 62.

As a reminder the MHA continues to urge interested individuals to apply for elderly housing waiting list. The asset limits for elderly housing are as follows:

- 1 person - \$25,000
- 2 or more persons - \$30,000 or 1.5 times your net income, whichever is greater. You may now have up to these amounts in assets, and still qualify for housing. We encourage anyone who is 60 years of age or older, or handicapped, to apply for Merri Village. Please check with our office for other qualifying requirements.

In closing, we would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Assessors, the Town Clerk and the Fire and Police Departments in the town of Merrimac for their assistance. Special thanks goes out to the Merrimac Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for their support and participation during the past year. Once again, the authority and its residents thank Mr. Bob Samoisette for his efforts in the maintenance department - and for keeping Merri Village looking great all year round.

Very Truly Yours,
Frank M. Petras, Executive Director

Board of Commissioners

Richard W. Emery Chairman 67 Church Street	Term Expires: May 1997
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Geri Shepherd, Vice-Chairman & Governors Appointee 26 River Road	Term Expires: June 1998
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Barbara J. Arbour Treasurer 41 School Street	Term Expires: May 2000
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Dorothy Olson Vice-Treasurer 57 W. Main Street	Term Expires: May 1996
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Steven True Member at Large Box 22	Term Expires: May 1998
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Housing Authority Personnel

Mr. Frank M. Petras
Certified PHM
employed: 8/17/92

Executive Director (part-time)

Ms. Jeanne Koch
Employed: 4/18/95

Administrative Assistant (part-time)

Ms. Brenda Perry
employed: 7/17/93

Leased Housing Administrator (part-time)

Ms. Alice Granlund
employed: 7/3/95

Tenant Selection Coordinator (part-time)

Maintenance Department

Mr. Robert Samoisette
employed: 11/1/91

Maintenance Mechanic (part-time)

Housing Authority Developments

Family Housing: 705-1 Family Housing
Opened: 1983

Location: Lincoln & Green Streets

Number of Units: 4 units (3-3 bedrooms, 1-2 bedrooms)

Elderly Housing: 667-1 Merri Village
Opened: 1972

Location: 52 Middle Street

Number of Units: 48 1-bedroom units

Leased Housing Department

The Merrimac Housing Authority operates a leased housing program. As with all leased housing programs. The authority does not physically maintain these units, but does provide rent subsidy to income individuals and families who live in privately owned homes and buildings located throughout the town.

1. Section 8 Rental Subsidy Programs (inception August 1978)

These programs are federally funded by the Department of Housing & Urban Development.

Section 8 Certificates: 19, all mobile with the following breakdown of bedroom sizes:5-one bedrooms, 10-two bedrooms, 4-three bedrooms

Qualifications & Income Limits for all Federal Housing Programs: (Effective 12/10/94)

All income qualification figures for Federal Programs are based on gross amounts:

Number of Person's Household	Maximum Allowable Income
1	\$17,450
2	\$19,950
3	\$22,450
4	\$24,950
5	\$26,950
6	\$28,950
7	\$30,950
8	\$32,950

Qualifications & Income Limits for all State Housing Programs Effective 4/1/94:

Number of Person's Household	Maximum Allowable Income
1	\$21,672
2	\$24,768
3	\$27,864
4	\$30,960
5	\$32,895
6	\$34,830
7	\$36,765
8	\$38,700

To qualify for state low income housing in Merrimac, you must also have assets no more than \$25,000 for one person or \$30,000 for two or more people, or 1.5 times your net income, whichever is greater.

Rental Subsidy Programs-Fair Market Rents

The following is a listing of the maximum allowable fair market rents. All figures include utilities.

Example: The housing authority will subsidize a family with a 2 bedroom certificate for an apartment that costs up to \$650.00. The family would then pay 30% of their income toward the total of the rental amount, and the housing authority would pay the balance. On the following page are the limits for each bedroom size.

Section 8 Certificate Program Fair Market Rents: (Effective 10/1/95)

0 Bedroom: 429	1 Bedroom: 518
2 Bedroom: 650	3 Bedroom: 813
4 Bedroom: 1001	

Rent Percentages & Utilities

Residents in each housing development pay rent according to a specified percentage of their income:

705-1 Lincoln & Green Streets:

All 4 units are gas heated. Residents pay 25% of their income for rent. Utilities are not included.

667-C1 Elderly Housing:

48 units, of which all are electrically heated. Residents pay 30% of their income for rent. Utilities are included.

Management Summary

In all, the Merrimac Housing Authority is involved with managing 3 separate housing programs, which accounts for 71 units of low income housing. In addition, the Merrimac Authority Staff, also administer 8 separate housing programs and a total of 354 units of public housing, for the town of Amesbury.

The Merrimac Housing Authority Regular Meetings are now held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 52 Merri Village at 4:00 pm. The Annual Meeting is held the 3rd Wednesday of June.

Annual Report of the Merrimac Fire Department

This year has been an extremely busy and traumatic one for our Department. It began with the untimely death of our beloved Chief Wallace P. (Wally) Spencer. This was soon followed by the death of veteran firefighter Robert (Sleepy) Emery.

The Board of Selectmen appointed Norman Armstrong to the Board which organized as follows:

Chief Brian W. Peavey, Sr.
Deputy Chief Ralph W. Spencer
Deputy Chief Norman W. Armstrong

The ladder truck continues to be a major concern to the Board as we wrestle with a solution. The choices seem to be: repair the existing ladder, replace the existing ladder, buy a used ladder truck or buy a new ladder truck. We have traveled far and wide looking at used ladder trucks to no avail. We will have concrete proposals at the town meeting.

We are also hopeful that the Capital Needs Committee will provide assistance in replacing the badly rusted Engine 34 and replace the roof of our building which is leaking very badly.

Our new rescue truck should be in service soon and the firefighters will be fully geared in new protective clothing authorized at the last town meeting.

We owe a special thanks to the families of Chief Wallace P. (Wally) Spencer, Firefighter Robert N. Emery and Fred Johnson, grandfather of firefighter/EMT Scott Maker, for very generous donations toward the Clothing Fund. The generosity of their donations has allowed us to acquire all the necessary gear.

Since Deputy Spencer assumed the full-time position and Scott Maker has started a new business in Town, we have been able to man the ambulance during the day again. The Town of Amesbury graciously allowed us to rescind the daytime contract that we had with them. They also stand ready to provide us with coverage through our mutual aid agreement if the need arises.

As always we have the continued generous support of the Couplings, all the other Town departments and the various mutual aid departments with which we serve.

We, the Board of Fire Engineers, realize and hopefully the townspeople realize that this Department is manned by a very loyal and dedicated group of people who give many, many hours of service to this Town. We can never thank them enough for their efforts.

1995 Department Revenue:

Ambulance	\$26,727.48*
Inspection Fees	5,280.00
Total	\$32,007.48

* Amesbury Fire got \$11,250.00 while covering us for 7 months.

Merrimac Fire Department Master Box List

Box Number	Facility	Address
4	Municipal Building	16 East Main St.
5	Town Hall	Merrimac Square
12	Library	34 West Main St.
13	Carriage Square	38 West Main St.
14	Time Out	80 West Main St.
15	Harbor Schools	84 West Main St.
16	N.E. Telephone	Central St.
17	Bosco's Cinema Pub	34 Broad St.
18	Carriage Court	Mill St.
19	Advanced Laundry	Federal Way
23	Merrimac Savings Bank	Merrimac Square
25	Pilgrim Congo Church	27 Church St.
112	Nativity Church	4 Green St.
132	Donaghue School	Union St.
133	Febbo Veterinary	Union St. Ext.
142	Light & Water Depts.	West Main St.
171	Merri-Village	Middle Street
271	Sweetsir School	Church St.
341	Waste Treatment Plant	Federal Way

1995 Merrimac Fire Department Responses

Ambulance Calls	265
Vehicle Fires	14
Grass/Brush	11
Carbon Monoxide Detectors	6
False/Faulty Alarms	31
Vehicle Accidents	27
Illegal Burns	12
Electrical Problems	5
Food on the Stove	7
Structure Fires	14
Appliance Fires	3
Chimney Fires	4
Furnace Problems	3
Propane/Natural Gas Leaks	4
Arson Investigation	1
Tree on a Building	1
Rubbish Fire	1
Malicious False Alarm	1
Boating Accidents	2
Hazardous Material Incident	1
Lightning Strike	1
Lockout	1
Tree Fires	3
Humidifier Fire	1
Burning Rags	2
Sledding Accidents	2

Mutual Aid

Ambulance:

Given: 8

Received: 45

Fire:

Given: 20

Received: 5

1995 Merrimac Fire Department Members

Chief Wallace P. Spencer
(Deceased April 11, 1995)

Chief Brian W. Peavey, Sr.

*Deputy Chief Ralph W. Spencer

*Deputy Chief Norman W. Armstrong
(Appointed July 1, 1995)

Officers

Captain Wayne Brooks
Captain Michael Sloban
Captain Norman Condon
Captain William Dow

Lieutenant Robert Corthell
Lieutenant Larry Fisher
Lieutenant Joseph Conroy
Lieutenant James David

Regulars

Gordon Campbell
Robert Emery (Deceased June 10, 1995)
Thomas Flinn
Wayne Gadsby*
William Graham
Gregory Hatch
James Hume
Patricia Jordan*
Thomas Jordan
Clifton Judson
Mark Judson
Henry Kelly*
Scott Maker*

*Elaine McCarthy
Anthony McDonough
Edwin Noone
Brian Peavey, Jr.
*Robert Peters
James Sevigny
*Eric Shears
*Wayne Smart
Wayne Smart II
Lester Smith
*Mark Soucy
*Stephen Szabo

Substitutes

Wayne Armstrong
Robert Donnelly
Harry Ellis
George Evans

*Gregory Habgood
Bryan Pugsley
Jay Soucy
Erica Wilcox

**Denotes EMT*

Annual Report of the Merrimac Arts/Cultural Council

The Merrimac Arts/Cultural Council is a volunteer organization whose purpose is to act as a local review panel for citizens who wish to apply to the Massachusetts Cultural Council for arts/humanities grants which are funded by the state lottery.

The Massachusetts Cultural Council, (MCC), whose budget is recommended by the Governor and finalized by the legislature, distributes a portion of its money annually to all State municipalities with a local cultural council in place based on a formula that includes population and equalized property value. The state funds are distributed solely to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and sciences.

Local applications for the sponsoring of appropriate projects are submitted to the Merrimac Arts/Cultural Council for an initial review and are then forwarded to the MCC for final review and approval.

In fiscal year 1995, the Arts/Cultural Council funded either totally, or in part, 10 projects for the benefit of Merrimac residents, distributing \$3,481 (the town's annual grant award). The projects included high school classroom visits by actors and directors from a local theatre group; an intergenerational harmonica concert at the Senior Center; public library passes to the New England Aquarium; high school students' field trip to a production of "Romeo and Juliet" in Newburyport; elementary students' field trip to the Tsongas Industrial History Center in Lowell; partial funding of the Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Society concert series; and elementary school program on the history of rockets and space flight; partial funding for two vocal and improvisational clinics for high school students and community members and two storyteller programs for children and families at the public library.

Merrimac Arts Council Members 1995

Nick Fiorello	Second three-year term expires 1996
Ann Tucker	Second three-year term expires 1996
Nancy Hocking-McDonough	Second three-year term expires 1996
Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello	Second three-year term expires 1996
Kathy Meuse	First three-year term expires 1996
Dorothy Patten	First three-year term expires 1996
Judy Flynn	First three-year term expires 1996
Nannette Becker	First three-year term expires 1996
Laura Linard	First three-year term expires 1996
Hanna Trautmann	First three-year term expires 1996

Annual Report of the Merrimac Police Department

I wish to thank the citizens of the Town of Merrimac for their continued encouragement and support during 1995. I also wish to thank all the other Boards and Departments that assisted us this year and to thank the men and women of the Police Department for all their hard work and the dedication they have shown in 1995 and in the past.

Respectfully Submitted,
James A. Flynn, Jr.
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of
Merrimac, Massachusetts:

I hereby submit my annual report of the activities of the Police Department
for the year 1995.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

General Services.....	2,433
Forcible Rape.....	1
Robbery.....	1
Aggravated Assault.....	3
Breaking & Entering.....	41
Larceny.....	64
Stolen Motor Vehicles.....	25
Recovered Motor Vehicles.....	12
Non-Aggravated Assaults.....	1
Fraud.....	1
Receiving Stolen Property.....	1
Vandalism.....	104
Weapons Violations.....	31
Sex Offense & Attempts.....	3
Drug Law Violations.....	5
Offenses Against Family.....	11
Operating Under the Influence of Liquor.....	4
Violation of Liquor Laws.....	3
Disorderly Conduct.....	3
Field Investigations.....	86
General Offenses.....	14
Trespassing.....	29
Civil Complaints.....	48
Juvenile Offenses.....	59
Violation of Local Ordinances.....	20
Missing Persons.....	17
Lost & Found.....	91
General Disturbances.....	34
Family Disturbances.....	70
Gathering Disturbances.....	65
School Disturbances.....	1
Youths Playing in Street.....	28
Noise Complaints.....	95
Annoying Phone Calls.....	62
Suspicious Activity.....	264
Boating Complaints.....	6
Officer Wanted.....	834
Escorts.....	1
Prisoner Transports.....	6
Assist Citizens.....	288
Tow.....	14
Transport.....	37
Building Checks.....	324
Message Deliveries.....	535
Animal Complaints.....	185

Assist Municipal Agencies.....	275
Highway Department.....	63
Light Department.....	96
Water Department.....	39
S.D.P.W.	10
W.E.F.	67
Emergency Services.....	5
Ambulance Services.....	259
Medical/Mental.....	10
Reported Deaths.....	9
Incapacitated Persons.....	20
Fire Alarms.....	134
Burglar Alarms.....	379
Assist Other Police Departments.....	477
Traffic Complaints.....	1,545
Unlawful Operation of a Motor Vehicle.....	1
Speeding Complaints.....	15
Leaving the Scene of an Accident.....	20
Property Damage.....	20
Vehicle Accidents.....	13
Personal Injury.....	12
Fatal.....	1
Vehicle Accidents.....	62
Traffic Control.....	20
Abandoned Motor Vehicles.....	18
Intra-Department Services.....	25
Servicing Cruiser.....	138
Motor Vehicle Pursuits.....	3
Days in District Court.....	142
Days in Superior Court.....	16
Summons Served.....	14
Citations Issued.....	487
Warnings.....	26
Summons.....	422
Arrests.....	39

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1995

Male Residents.....	33
Male Non-Residents.....	44
Female Residents.....	5
Female Non-Residents.....	8
Male Residents (Juvenile).....	10
Male Non-Residents (Juvenile).....	2
Female Non-Residents (Juvenile).....	1

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY FOR THE YEAR 1995

Male Residents.....	5
Male Non-Residents.....	4
Female Residents.....	2
Male Resident (Juvenile).....	1

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Assault & Battery	3			1							Pending 2	
Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon	2										Pending 2	
Assault & Battery on a Police Officer	1										Pending 1	
Domestic Assault & Battery	4					2					Probation 1 Pending 1	
Indecent Assault & Battery	6										Pending 6	
Breaking & Entering	2							1			Pending 1	
Larceny	1										Pending 1	
Disorderly Conduct	11		3			1					Probation 1 Pending 6	
Possession Cl D (Marijuana)	2										Probation 1 Pending 1	
Possession of a Dangerous Weapon	2		1								Pending 1	
Receiving Stolen Property	1										Pending 1	
Rape	3										Pending 3	
Malicious Damage to Property	2			1							Pending 1	
Shoplifting	1										Pending 1	
Open Container	2										Pending 2	
Trespassing	2					1					Pending 1	

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Violation of a 209A	1										Pending 1	
Procuring Alcohol for Minors	1										Pending 1	
Motor Vehicle Homicide	1										Pending 1	
Minor in Possession of Alcohol	13	1	5			3					Diversión 1 Pending 3	\$ 100.00
Operating under the Influence Intoxicating Liquor	12	3	1			1					Pending 7	\$ 1,250.00
Leaving the Scene of an Accident (Property Damage)	11					1					Pending 10	
Operating after Suspension	23	12	1			1		1			Pending 8	\$ 4,915.00
Marked Lanes Violations	22	10				1			2		Pending 4 Not Resp. 5	\$ 950.00
Operating as to Endanger	9		1								Pending 8	
Motor Vehicle Trespass	8	8										\$ 2,000.00
Using Motor Vehicle without Authority	1										Pending 1	
Negligent Operation	3										Pending 3	
Refusal to Submit to a Police Officer	1		1									
Refusing to Stop for a Police Officer	4	1	1								Pending 2	\$ 100.00
Unregistered Motor Vehicle	11	4							4		Pending 2 Not Resp. 1	\$ 400.00

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Uninsured Motor Vehicle	9					2			1		Pending 4 Probation 1 Not Resp. 1	
Attaching Plates	.5								2		Pending 3	
No License	26	17							2		Pending 7 Not Resp. 2	\$ 610.00
No Registration	11	6							1		Pending 3 Not Resp. 1	\$ 210.00
No Inspection Sticker	22	17									Pending 1 Not Resp. 4	\$ 850.00
Stop Sign Violation	23	14									Pending 2 Not Resp. 7	\$ 700.00
Defective Equipment	27	19	1						2		Pending 2 Not Resp. 8	\$ 520.00
Seat Belt Law Violations	16	12									Not Resp. 4	\$ 625.00
Following too Close	2	1									Not Resp. 1	\$ 35.00
Failure to Notify RMV Change of Address	6	4	1								Pending 1	\$ 140.00
Unreasonable Noise	5	3	1								Pending 1	\$ 200.00
Failure to Stop for Schoolbus	1	1										\$ 100.00
Modified Height	3	2									Not Resp.1	\$ 185.00
Failure to Yield	1	1										\$ 50.00
Obstructed Plate	2										Not Resp. 2	
Improper Starting	3	2									Not Resp. 1	\$ 135.00

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
No Plate	1	1										\$ 35.00
Uncovered Load	1	1										\$ 200.00
Failure to Wear Helment	1										Not Resp. 1	
False Information to a Police Officer	1										Pending 1	
Revoked Registration	1										Not Resp. 1	
Obstructed View	2	2										\$ 500.00
Towing Unregistered Trailer	1	1										\$ 100.00
Operating a Motor Vehicle in Comm. of MA over Thirty Days	1										Pending 1	
Operating Motor Vehicle without Headlights	1	1										\$ 35.00
Failure to Dim Lights	1								1			
Speeding	312	256	1						3		Pending 6 Not Resp. 46	\$27,650.00
On Warrants	38											Amesbury 7 Civillian 2 Haverhill 1 Lawrence 1 Lowell 1 Melrose 1 Merrimac 10 Methuen 2 Newburyport 5 No. Andover 2 Salisbury 1 State Police 2 Sutton 1 W. Newbury 1 Woburn 1

Annual Report of the Pentucket Regional School District Committee

In accordance with Chapter 71, Section 16K, the Pentucket Regional School District Committee submits its 40th annual report to the town:

Anthony Repucci, Chairman
Sally Cookman, Secretary
Edward Hardy III
George Mavroides
Rhonda Page
Jean Tattan

Terri Lunn, Vice Chairman
Carol Grazio
Annie Madden
John Mortenson
Christopher Sullivan
Brian Young

During the 1994-1995 school year the Dr. Frederick N. Sweetsir and Helen R. Donaghue Schools have continued to provide new educational opportunities and quality programs at all grade levels.

Laudable efforts have been made by our School Council as reflected in our School Improvement Plan. The following strategic goals were developed from a community survey and are being implemented over a 5 year plan within our schools.

Strategic Goals Developed from Community Survey

- To incorporate technology in all areas of the curriculum
- To provide the optimum student ratio
- To provide programs that address the needs of a changing society
- To encourage parental and community involvement in our schools
- To strengthen the ability of students to become skillful and responsive communicators
- To challenge each child to maximize his/her unique potential
- To recognize and respect the rights of ones self and others
- To promote an atmosphere that recognizes and respects individual rights
- To provide up to date supplies and equipment to support student learning
- To provide inservice professional training
- To insure a positive and safe environment conducive to learning
- To offer opportunities to enhance parent teacher communication

The 1994/1995 school year saw a focus on technology, student to teacher ratios, and providing programs to meet the needs of a changing society. Our schools have experienced an ongoing school growth, specifically in the primary grades and preschool population. The enrollment in June, 1995 was 648 in grades preschool through grade 6.

Many of our staff have been involved in curriculum task forces district wide, in the areas of language arts, writing, mathematics, social studies, and science. These district wide committees meet after school and are following closely the guidelines for curriculum and instruction as outlined in the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks.

The schools continue to encourage community and parental involvement in school projects and programs. Over 130 school volunteers were involved in the following:

- classrooms
- libraries
- technology labs
- read-aloud programs
- drama club
- writers' workshop
- senior citizen penpals
- guest speakers

Through the efforts of the Save Our Schools organization, landscaping (that was not affordable through the building project) became a reality at the Sweetsir School in May 1995.

All of these volunteers were thanked by the staff of the Sweetsir and Donaghue Schools at a special Appreciation Night held in May.

The enrichment programs were made available to our students through the efforts of the PTO Cultural Arts Committee. Some of these programs are highlighted as follows:

Event	Grade Level
Ellen Goethel, Marine Biologist	2-3
Jerry & Nancy Bell, Celtic Minstrels	Pre-2/3-6
David Heshion, Flight & Space	Pre-2/3-6
Buttonwoods, Colonial Games	3-6
David Heshion, Rocket Camp	K-6
Exotics of the Rainforest	3-4
Tsongas History Center, National Park	5-6

Event	Grade Level
Carrot Man	1-2
Food Play, Nutrition	3-6
Zoomobile, Southwick Zoo	Pre-1
Curious Creatures	2
Can Do Friends, Phyllis Friedman	Pre
North Shore ARC	K-2
Author/Illustrator Day	3-6
David Heshion Space Camp	1-6

The 1994-1995 school year is another in which quality educational experiences were provided to the young people of Merrimac. The achievements of our staff and students are manifestations of the commitment and collaboration of members of the community, school committee, school staff and parent groups. Ongoing involvement continues to nurture the belief that we can provide for educational opportunity of all our children and assist them to enter the world as responsible, productive and caring citizens.

In closing, the administration would like to acknowledge the many years of dedicated service in our school cafeterias of Mildred Grasso and Joyce Armstrong who retired in June 1995.

At the secondary level, the 1994-1995 school year saw us near completion of our building projects at the middle school and high school. New media centers and upgraded technological capabilities, new science labs and classrooms, and enhanced athletic facilities will better support our curricular and co-curricular programs and address the significant enrollment increases the Pentucket Regional School District has been experiencing over the past several years. The 1994-1995 school year saw some new or enhanced curricular initiatives (new performing arts elective, 7th grade transitional math, DARE program for 8th grade, etc.) and a very successful production of “Bye Bye Birdie” by our middle school.

At the high school there continue to be many indicators that our graduates are leaving Pentucket well prepared for their post-high school endeavors. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges voted Pentucket High School continued accreditation (the highest rating currently given by NEASC) based on the visiting team’s evaluation and our two-year follow-up report. Our curricular and co-curricular programs remain strong. Two visiting groups from Germany spent several weeks with our students and exchange students from Israel, Spain, Japan, Argentina, and Germany

attended Pentucket High during the 1994-1995 school year. Working with local veterans' groups, special programs took place in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the ending of World War II. Our marching band participated in the World Fest 95 at the Epcot Center; and our concert band, jazz band and chorus performed at the All-American Music Festival in Orlando, Florida, earning several awards. Pentucket students were also state and regional winners at the Arts Festival at the Wang Center. The Pentucket Parents Alliance again sponsored Senior Celebration and several parent education programs during the 1994-1995 school year. The Class of 1995 was multi-talented and a group of young adults of whom we can all be proud. Their College Board SAT scores and performance on the Massachusetts Educational Assessment Program were well above the state average; and there were two merit semi-finalists and eleven National Merit Commendation Winners.

The Merrimac graduates from the Class of 95 were as follows:

Nicole Rose Adams	Faye Ruth Leone
Bonnie Marie Alexander	Ellen Kathleen Lynch
Brett Charles Barnaby	Elen Brenna Maguire
Amy Louise Barron	Ryan Malynn
Danielle Marie Beaulieu	Curtis Hayden Morneault
Heather Lee Bowen	Shannon Jean OKeefe
Kurt R. Calderwood	Elizabeth Anne Perkins
Julieanne Casey	Brian D. Riley
Gregory James Colburn	Evan David Roberts
Jason H. Craig	Jacob Young SanAntonio
Stephen H. Daniels	Laura Ellen SanCartier
Shelley Anne Doughty	Dayton Herbai Schlosser
Tina Driscoll	Sabrina Susan Schwanke
Tara Kay Gilmartin	Miranda Sharon Scott
Shannon Elizabeth Goodwin	Matthew A. Shirley
Melissa Anne Graziano	Jayne Elizabeth Smith
Brett Handerson	Tucker MacNeil Smith
Amelia Harris	John C. Stewart
Jessica Laurel Herman	Stefanie Marie Tetreault
Luke Ian Hovde	Myles Vourgarakis
C. William Hoyt	Meridith A. Warden
Brendan Taber Jones	Benjamin Whitehouse
Sabrina Kay Lane	Kevin I. Woodbury
Jennifer Marianne Lay	Jason Stephen Zappas

**Pentucket Regional School District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures-General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 1995**

Revenues:

Assessments to Member Towns	\$7,009,214
State Aid	6,630,589
Interest Income	315,242
Miscellaneous Receipts	16,415
Total Revenues	\$13,971,460

Expenditures:

Bagnall Elementary	\$1,769,298
Donaghue & Sweetsir Elementary	1,950,731
Page Elementary	1,669,952
Pentucket Middle School	1,806,134
Pentucket High School	3,185,611
District Wide Services	3,324,649
Total Expenditures	\$13,706,375

Excess of Revenues over Expenditures: *	\$265,085
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Contribution from the Town of Merrimac was:	\$2,221,653
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Capital Assessment paid by Merrimac was:	\$219,128
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*Due to Interest Income from the Building Project.

Annual Report of the Merrimac Public Library

The Library has seen an increase in new patrons this year, with so many people moving into town. We welcome them all and hope the library can be of service to them.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carole McCarthy, Director

Merrimac Public Library Statistics for 1995

Circulation:	Adult	Juvenile	Subtotal	Total
Books/Periodicals	24,014	18,342	42,356	
Audio/Video	3,518	954	4,472	46,828
Acquisitions:				
Purchased	2,024	973	2,997	
Donations	33	20	53	3,050
Withdrawn:				
Books	1,463	571	2,034	
Nonprint	41	27	68	2,102
Inventory:				
Books	18,232	12,205	30,437	
Periodicals	68	6	74	
Videos	427	59	486	
Audio	250	12	262	
Multi-Media		82	82	
Computer Programs	5	3	8	
(in library use)				33,349
Loan to:				
Interlibrary Loan	406			
Borrowed From:				
Interlibrary Loan	619			
Supplementary Deposit Center	593			
Total Active Patrons:				3,196

A total of 138 story hours and 8 P.J. story hours were held, along with 14 special family programs. There were 28 public meetings accommodated.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TRUSTEES of MERRIMAC PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Board of Trustees presents to the citizens of Merrimac their one hundred and nineteenth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1995.

The library was dedicated in 1930, fashioned in the Tudor style, from the generous donation of Thomas H. Hoyt. The stained glass windows are the work of Charles J. Connick whose work is world renowned.

Expansion of the Library's physical facilities continue to be a priority.

To illustrate our needs, please consider the following:

- Patronage has increased by 11.3% to 3196 in 1995 from 1994.
- Overwhelming participation in the childrens' story hour required adding an additional program to prevent overcrowding.
- The summer programs must be held outdoors due to the large number in attendance.
- Expanding technology such as the internet, which allows access to 2.3 million items, requires more space for additional work stations.

At this time we wish to thank the taxpayers, town meeting voters, selectmen and finance committee for supporting and funding the feasibility study voted at the 1995 annual town meeting.

The firm of O'Neil-Pennoyer Architects from Sommerville, Mass. was hired to perform a feasibility study of expansion alternatives. This process is on going as the location for a new library has yet to be secured.

Several individuals made donations during the year. The Merrimac Lions Club added another (6) videos to the collections which provide voice-over descriptions of movie action. JAN-CO publishing of West Newbury donated \$100 for the purchase of books on tape. Finally, the Merrimac Arts Lottery Council provided a grant which allowed for the purchase of a pass to the Museum of Science, (always in demand). In addition, this grant paid for the little red wagon and puppet shows in our summer program.

We also recognize the contributions of Linda Claeys, who served for many years and retired from the board last year. We also welcome Linda Seymour, who was recently elected. Furthermore, we wish to thank the volunteer members of our Space Needs Advisory Committee, Joe Carter, Robert Harrington, Joanna Waterhouse, Herbert Gynan, Mark Malonson and Jack Cryan. Finally, a special thanks to our friends of the library for all they have done to enhance library services.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ricky J. Pinciario Chairman

Annual Report of the Merrimac Council on Aging

The Merrimac COA continues to be a leader in providing services within the town for elders and non-elders. Through the work of Director Laura Dillingham-Mailman, volunteers, state and federal supported services and programs, the Merrimac COA links more than 800 local senior citizens to a network of medical, legal, and home care services while still providing the educational, cultural and recreational activities needed to serve the whole needs of the town's elderly population.

Addressing the often critical and emergency needs of isolated or house-bound elders, the Council and its staff coordinate meals, provides health clinics, legal aid, tax assistance, help with Medicare forms, understanding changes in state law, fuel assistance, food stamps, supplemental security income forms, elderly housing placement and outreach visits to elders, often serving as a family would for elderly clients.

The COA provides the site and volunteers for surplus food commodities distribution and for the Self-help Resource Exchange (SHARE), a national program that enables anyone regardless of age or income, to exchange volunteer hours for groceries.

One of the biggest challenges for Merrimac COA is finding transportation for seniors to doctor appointments, hospitals, shopping, etc. Funded through a 1994 grant from Massachusetts Councils on Aging and the Attorney General's Office, a Ford Aerostar van is shared with Groveland Council on Aging. Merrimac and Groveland hired a driver this year who works 20 hours per week, driving elders to meals sites, shopping, medical appointments, and to classes offered at the Senior Centers.

In addition to the wide-range of activities and client advocacy work for frail elders, the council provides both volunteer drivers and financial support to Northern Essex Elder Transport, Inc. Often the only transportation available, the van and NEET provides rides to essential appointments and shopping for Merrimac senior citizens.

Merrimac COA has been able to receive other grants and services to enhance the programs offered at the Senior Center. Merrimac COA has one Senior Aide, provided by Elder Services of Merrimack Valley, who performs clerical and outreach work, including daily reassurance calls. A Title III

grant provided the Senior Center with a fitness instructor for this past year. Led by fitness instructor Pamela Jones, the class continues to be extremely successful. The class is intended to include all levels of ability, but primarily for low stress-low impact exercise. Merrimac COA was also awarded a Massachusetts Cultural Grant, administered by the Merrimac Cultural Council, to sponsor a musical concert during last year's Old Home Days annual summer celebration.

Fundraising efforts by the Friends of the Council on Aging and donations, purchased a dishwasher for the Senior Center, provided equipment, office and kitchen supplies and expense money for the center's programs and activities not covered by the local budget.

The Council continued to expand its sense of community again this year with participation in the town's Old Home Day summer celebration, Older American's Day and Elder Services Walk for Elders. Intergenerational activities included an on-going pen pal program that linked seniors with a third grade student at the Helen R. Donaghue School. The Donaghue School Chorus presented a holiday concert at the school for the senior community in the newly renovated Donaghue School. The Pentucket Regional High School Senior Class invited local seniors to a dinner dance at the Pentucket Regional High School. The Commonworks High School, the high school program, provided a well attended free St. Patrick's Day luncheon at the school's West Main Street Harbor School/United Homes campus.

The Merrimac Council on Aging would like to thank the town and all who have supported our efforts, especially our volunteers and the Friends of the Council on Aging.

Members of the Council on Aging

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|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Herbert Gynan, Chairman | Elizabeth Pittman, Vice-Chairman |
| Mary Cheney, Secretary | James Murphy, Treasurer |
| Terri Walden | Dorothy Lumsden |
| Roy Minihan | Inez Lund |
| Irene Kimbrell | Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello |
| Ellie Adams | |

Friends of the Council on Aging

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| Evelyn Greeley, Chairman | Sophie Wozniak, Vice Chairman |
| Eleanor Bruun, Secretary | Margaret Gynan, Treasurer |

Annual Report of the Merrimac Recycling Committee

Merrimac's recycling program continues to witness significant growth. In 1995, 301 tons of materials were diverted from the landfill for recycling, up from 186 tons in 1994. As seen in the table, Merrimac has nearly tripled the volume of materials headed for the landfill since 1993.

In calendar year 1995, the recycling program brought in \$20,693 in revenues to the town. If this rate of revenue generation continues in 1996, and the recycling program receives its requested budget (\$27,856), the net cost of recycling will be about \$1.35 per resident. From a financial perspective, however, Merrimac does not experience the full benefits of its recycling program because we still operate our own landfill. If Merrimac was paying a market rate for trash disposal (for example, \$65-85), Merrimac would have saved over \$20,000 in disposal fees in 1995 alone. Given this scenario, the recycling program would result in a net revenue of over \$2 per resident per year, clearly making recycling a great investment!

Newspaper and paperboard continue to top the list of recyclable at over 70 percent (by weight) of the total materials collected. In 1995, we added a second container for the collection of newspaper to accommodate the over 200 tons of paper products collected. The table below provides a breakdown of materials collected for recycling in 1995.

In 1995, the recycling program hired a part-time recycling supervisor (5-6 hours/week) to assist in the day-to-day oversight of the recycling program, supervise the monitors, work with material vendors, and manage the program's finances. This position has greatly assisted the committee in meeting the daily demands of the program, which is open to the public 21 hours/week and requires daily administrative attention.

In 1996, the recycling committee will continue to improve the services provided to the town. One of our goals is to merge the recycling operation with the waste transfer station, due to open when the landfill closes. Such a merger will increase the convenience of recycling for town residents. Other plans for 1996 include purchasing a second container for plastics, adding scrap metal to the items collected weekly, and installing signs to assist residents in proper sorting and preparation of materials.

We thank the residents of Merrimac for their continued support and participation in the recycling program. We also appreciate your patience as we grapple with an ever increasing volume of materials and limited resources.

Material:	1992	1993	1994	1995
Metal Cans (lb.)	3020	14,151	19,998	29,435
Aluminum Cans (lb.)	701	1,761	2,600	4,385
Paper (lb.)	no record	141,540	249,840	428,900
Glass (lb.)	N/A	28,700	64,760	62,800
Plastic (lb.)	N/A	N/A	9,160	28,282
Scrap Metal (lb.)	N/A	34,632	16,343	45,360
Appliances	N/A	157	109	*
Tires	721	527	433	406
Car Batteries	N/A	158	64	77
Waste Oil (gallons)	N/A	940	860	1300
Leaves (cubic yards)	no record	300	310	195
Xmas Trees	N/A	142	50	102
Textiles (lb.)	N/A	N/A	5070	3070
Total: (lb.only)	3,721	220,786	367,771	602,232
(tons)	1.86	110.39	183.89	301.12

*included in scrap metal

Respectfully submitted,

The Recycling Committee:

- Patricia Dillon
- Bruce Evans
- Debbie Knight
- Mary Lyon
- Walter Perkins
- Tony Roberts
- Lynda Williams

**Annual Report of the
Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School**

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its twenty third year. To date, we have graduated 5,537 students from a regular day school.

- The enrollment for the Evening School from our community: 50
- The October 1, 1994 Day School Enrollment:

	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
Grade 9:	10	8
Grade 10:	10	4
Grade 11:	6	3
Grade 12:	7	6

- Total: 54
- 1995 Graduates: 11
- The cost to your community for the school year 1994-1995 was \$249,525.00.

Respectfully yours,

Paul M. Tucker,
Merrimac Representative

Karen Sarkisian,
Superintendent/Director

Annual Report of the Merrimac Water Department

The Board of Commissioners and Manager for the Merrimac Water Department present their annual report for the calendar year 1995.

During 1995 there were a total of 38 connections added to the town water system bringing the number of total water connections to 1,530.

Privilege Fee

\$82,650 was collected during 1995 for connections to the water system and deposited to Privilege Fee, a special fund established to allow appropriations for the purpose of operating, maintaining and improving the water system.

Surplus Funds

It was voted at town meeting in 1995 to allow MWD to utilize its surplus funds from fy94 in the amount of \$52,000 to install 2 deep wells at E. Main Wellfield. The addition of the 60ft. wells will provide additional production capacity when needed, reduce the chemical cost for treatment due to the improved water quality we will derive from the wells, and provide additional depth of available water to meet system demand when the water table drops in the wellfield. The construction documents were completed for the bid process by December 1995, with the work anticipated to begin by mid '96.

Bylaw

A conservation bylaw was accepted at town meeting allowing the Water Department to enforce water bans when necessary.

Cross Connection

During 1995 cross connection surveys were completed. Letters of violation were sent to 43 customers, the majority of whom have responded by installing protective backflow devices.

Improvements

Efforts continued throughout the year to maintain and improve water quality and service. Three wells were redeveloped and cleaned at Sargent Wellfield, providing a higher yield capacity. Work began on the development of a Zone 2 for Sargent Wellfield, which will help to determine potential groundwater contamination risk. Monitoring wells were installed upstream of Sargent Wellfield in an effort to take an active role in the monitoring of water quality due to operations occurring upstream of the wellfield.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Soucy
Manager for the Board of Water Commissioners

**Merrimac Water Department Income Statement:
June 30,1995**

Revenue:

Residential, Comm., Municipal Rates	521,471.46
Water Sprinkler	250.00
Water Miscellaneous	25,676.85
Fiscal Year Liens	<u>2,751.70</u>
Total Revenue Collected	550,150.01

Expenses:

Manager's Salary	14,614.00
Office Salary	7,934.40
Water Department Wages	76,451.80
Overtime	11,752.74
Office Supplies	28,290.52
Fuel Heat	6,147.76
Purchase Power	33,971.31
Stock	55,256.77
Transportation	2,168.83
Engineering	4,900.00
Real Estate Taxes (NH)	1,764.00
Water Testing	2,775.00
Chemicals	27,619.01
Cross Connection	1,506.80
Roadway & Excavation	5,983.38
Commissioner Salary	<u>840.00</u>
Total Direct Expenses	281,976.32

Water Bond Expenses:

Filter Plant Bonds	213,510.00
Standpipe Bond	<u>8,925.00</u>
Total Water Bond Expense	222,435.00

Water Department Share Insurance, Workers Compensation, FICA	10,000.00
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Total Water Department Expense:	514,411.32
Gross Profit (Loss):	35,738.69

Special Appropriations:	
Sargent Wellfield Redevelopment	5,125.00
Operations & Maintenance Manual	2,116.80
Water Exploration	12,245.90
Water Contingency Plan	4,006.80

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Soucy, Manager

Annual Report of the Merrimac Light Department

Merrimac Light Department efforts to contain costs and keep rates stable have again been a great success this year. Department personnel have worked diligently to keep the purchase price of electricity in check and lower operating costs as well.

Department heads were able to negotiate an agreement with New England Power Company during the year which provided the assurance of rate stability through 1996. Another major asset to the settlement was the installation of an automatic switch by New England Power. The installation of this switch which was completed in December 1995 will provide Merrimac with more reliable service by reducing outage time when problems occur out of town.

In March 1995 the Light Department experienced a major substation failure resulting in the loss of equipment. This was the first time that the Department had experienced a situation of this magnitude. However, with the expertise of the entire linecrew and outside crews for Mass Electric, along with mutual aid support of Danvers Light Department, MLD was able to coordinate the efforts of all to do their utmost to continue providing service to all with as little inconvenience to our customers as was possible. Our goal proved to be successful.

In lieu of Tax Payment

MLD contributed \$10,000.00 to the town as an in lieu of tax payment, as well as providing street lighting with energy charges totaling \$12,777.03 at no cost to the town.

Pole Replacement

34 poles were placed throughout the service area for system upgrades and routine maintenance.

Service Installation

55 new services were added to the system, bringing the total number of meters at year end to 2,351. Throughout the year some 83 meters were put into service while retiring 28.

Customer Calls

MLD answered 183 customer calls for emergency and routine assistance.

Energy Audits

During 1995, 55 customers took advantage of free residential energy audits offered by the Merrimac Light Department and performed by Mass Save.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Soucy

Manager for the Board of Light Commissioners

Merrimac Electric Light Department Statement of Income for the Year 1995

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease from Preceding Year</u>
Operating Income:		
400 Operating Revenue	2,124,801.78	64,890.65
Operating Expenses:		
401 Operation Expense	1,799,598.43	73,766.73
402 Maintenance Expense	84,146.96	22,770.73
403 Depreciation Expense	147,530.59	7,367.35
Total Operating Expenses	2,031,275.98	103,904.81
Operating Income	93,525.80	(39,014.16)
Other Income:		
415 Income from Merchandising, Jobbing and Contract Work		
419 Interest Income	9,250.79	306.52
421 Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income		
Total Income	102,776.59	(38,707.64)
Interest Charges:		
427 Interest on Bonds and Notes		
431 Other Interest Expense		
Total Interest Charges	0.00	0.00
Net Income:	102,776.59	(38,707.64)

	<u>Debits</u>	<u>Credits</u>
208 Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at beginning of period)		1,264,714.32
433 Balance Transferred form Income		102,776.59
434 Miscellaneous Credits to Surplus		
435 Miscellaneous Debits to Surplus		
436 Appropriations of Surplus	22,743.03	
437 Surplus Applied to Depreciation		
208 Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at end of period)	<u>1,344,747.88</u>	
	1,367,490.91	1,367,490.91

**Merrimac Electric Light Department
Comparative Balance Sheet 1995**

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease</u>
Utility Plant:			
101 Utility Plant - Electric	1,653,647.08	1,628,579.44	28,932.36
Fund Accounts:			
125 Sinking Funds	719.17	719.17	0.00
126 Depreciation Funds	246,898.88	316,450.94	69,552.06
Current and Accrued Assets:			
131 Cash	332,969.00	293,815.67	(39,153.33)
132 Special Deposits	20,375.85	23,866.17	3,490.32
132 Working Funds	60.00	60.00	0.00
142 Customers Accounts Receivable	81,656.53	90,172.60	8,516.07
143 Other Accounts Receivable	0.00	53,836.85	53,836.85
146 Receivables from Municipality			
151 Materials and Supplies	15,001.94	15,001.94	0.00
165 Prepayments	7,356.92	7,390.49	128,911.90
Deferred Debits			
183 Other Deferred Debits	<u>7,356.92</u>	<u>7,390.49</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Assets and Other Debit:	2,366,924.37	2,495,836.27	128,911.90

<u>Liabilities</u>	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease</u>
Surplus:			
206 Loans Repayments	462,700.00	462,700.00	0.00
207 Appropriations for Construction Repayments	8,889.50	8,889.05	0.00
208 Unappropriated Earned Surplus	1,264,714.32	1,344,746.88	80,032.56
Long Term Debt:			
221 Bonds			
231 Notes Payable			
Current and Accrued Liabilities:			
232 Accounts Payable	245,378.39	266,971.84	21,593.45
235 Customer' Deposits	20,375.85	23,866.17	3,490.32
242 Miscellaneous Current and Accrued Liabilities	7,356.92	7,390.49	33.57
Deferred Credits:			
252 Customer Advances for Construction	1,220.67	1,220.67	0.00
Reserves:			
260 Reserves for Uncollectable Accounts	8,281.38	8,281.38	0.00
Contributions in Aid of Construction:			
271 Contributions in Aid of Construction	348,007.79	371,769.79	23,762.00
Total Liabilities and Other Credits:	2,366,924.82	2,495,836.27	128,911.45

Annual Report of the Office of the Town Accountant

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Enclosed herewith is the Accountant's Report for Fiscal Year 1995. I want to thank you for your cooperation during the year and the assistance you rendered me.

Respectfully submitted,
David Hitchcock,
Town Accountant

TOWN OF MERRIMAC								
DETAILED STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND								
PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1995								
	CONTINUED APPROPRIATIONS	APPROPRIATIONS GENERAL BUDGET	SPECIAL ARTICLES	RECEIPT	TRANSFERS	TOTAL BUDGETED	EXPENDED	BALANCE JUNE 30, 1995
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE	0.00	1300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	1600.00	1493.00	107.00
TOWN AUDIT	0.00	12000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12000.00	8900.00	3100.00
STABILIZATION FUND	0.00	25000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25000.00	25000.00	0.00
SELECTMEN SALARIES	0.00	3255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3255.00	3255.00	0.00
SELECTMEN SECRETARY SALARY	0.00	19040.00	369.00	0.00	0.00	19409.00	19409.00	0.00
SELECTMEN EXPENSE	0.00	3137.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3137.00	2716.88	420.12
ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES	0.00	1000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	530.00	470.00
ACCOUNTANT SALARY	0.00	27766.00	539.00	0.00	0.00	28305.00	28305.00	0.00
ACCOUNTANT EXPENSE	0.00	2140.00	0.00	27.00	0.00	2167.00	2166.38	0.62
TREASURER SALARY	0.00	16596.00	323.00	0.00	0.00	16919.00	14047.97	2871.03
ACCOUNTING ASSISTANCE	0.00	2820.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2820.00	2820.00	0.00
TREASURER EXPENSE	0.00	9053.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9053.00	9053.00	0.00
PAYROLL PROCESSING	0.00	8500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8500.00	8371.46	128.54
TAX COLLECTOR SALARY	0.00	17246.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17246.00	17245.80	0.20
TAX COLLECTOR CLERK SALARY	0.00	9105.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9105.00	8295.44	809.56
TAX COLLECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	9000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9000.00	9000.00	0.00
TAX COLLECTOR COMPUTER	0.00	11550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11550.00	11550.00	0.00
TAX BILL PROCESSING	0.00	15000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15000.00	14338.55	661.45
ASSESSOR SALARIES	0.00	5573.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5573.00	5573.00	0.00
ASSESSOR CLERK SALARY	0.00	20669.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20669.00	20668.96	0.04
ASSESSOR EXPENSE	0.00	3240.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	3540.00	3504.13	35.87
ASSESSOR COMPUTER	0.00	19600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19600.00	19600.00	0.00
TOWN COUNSEL SALARY	0.00	3414.00	67.00	0.00	0.00	3481.00	3481.00	0.00
TOWN COUNSEL EXPENSE	0.00	3420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3420.00	3420.00	0.00
TOWN CLERK SALARY	0.00	11997.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11997.00	11996.40	0.60
TOWN CLERK EXPENSE	0.00	1025.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1025.00	936.56	88.44
BOARD OF REGISTRARS SALARIES	0.00	379.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	386.00	386.00	0.00
BOARD OF REGISTRARS EXPENSE	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	12.01	187.99
CENSUS TAKER EXPENSE	0.00	475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	475.00	473.33	1.67
ELECTION OFFICERS SALARIES	0.00	3986.00	78.00	0.00	0.00	4064.00	2375.05	1688.95
ELECTION OFFICERS EXPENSE	0.00	520.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	520.00	499.97	20.03
PLANNING BOARD EXPENSE	0.00	725.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	725.00	594.09	130.91
BOARD OF APPEALS EXPENSE	0.00	1500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1500.00	1499.50	0.50
CONSERVATION COMM. EXP.	0.00	1000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	477.16	522.84
BONDING TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSE	0.00	890.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	890.00	807.00	83.00
TOWN HALL JANITOR SALARY	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	2000.00	0.00
TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	0.00	10000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10000.00	9040.01	959.99
TOWN HALL HEATING	0.00	2500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2500.00	2120.85	379.15
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS EXPENSE	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	193.72	306.28
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS OIL HEAT	0.00	5500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5500.00	4742.12	757.88
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS GAS HEAT	0.00	2313.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	2413.00	2367.32	45.68
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	0.00	294934.00	1683.00	427.00	0.00	297044.00	283265.66	13778.34

PUBLIC SAFETY								
POLICE CHIEF SALARY	0.00	40271.00	782.00	0.00	0.00	41053.00	41053.00	0.00
PATROLMEN WAGES	0.00	113457.00	2203.00	0.00	0.00	115660.00	113496.90	2163.10
NIGHT PREMIUM	0.00	6568.00	128.00	0.00	0.00	6696.00	6380.82	315.18
PAID HOLIDAYS	0.00	3863.00	75.00	0.00	0.00	3938.00	3847.75	90.25
COURT TIME	0.00	5000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5000.00	4960.85	39.15
OVERTIME	0.00	2281.00	545.00	0.00	0.00	2826.00	2819.77	6.23
SPECIALS	0.00	34953.00	679.00	0.00	0.00	35632.00	34766.40	865.60
DISPATCHERS WAGES	0.00	75000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75000.00	75000.00	0.00
POLICE JANITOR	0.00	1000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	0.00	1000.00
FUEL EXPENSE	0.00	8079.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8079.00	7946.47	132.51
REGULAR EXPENSE	0.00	12675.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12675.00	12675.00	0.00
POLICE LONGEVITY	0.00	550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	550.00	550.00	0.00
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	2000.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT WAGES	0.00	64000.00	1243.00	0.00	0.00	65243.00	65243.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	0.00	25795.00	0.00	690.00	0.00	26485.00	26429.40	55.60
E M T WAGES	0.00	10278.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10278.00	10278.00	0.00
AMBULANCE EXPENSE	0.00	5830.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5830.00	5752.22	77.78
EMERGENCY MNGT. SALARY	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
EMERGENCY MNGT. EXPENSE	0.00	1405.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1405.00	1341.73	63.27
GAS INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	812.00	16.00	0.00	0.00	828.00	828.00	0.00
GAS INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	160.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	160.00	160.00	0.00
WIRING INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	3245.00	63.00	0.00	0.00	3308.00	3308.00	0.00
WIRING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	7571.00	147.00	0.00	0.00	7718.00	7718.00	0.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00	99.00	141.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	1082.00	21.00	0.00	0.00	1103.00	1103.00	0.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
TREE WARDEN SALARY	0.00	649.00	13.00	0.00	0.00	662.00	662.00	0.00
TREE WARDEN EXPENSE	0.00	2875.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2875.00	2875.00	0.00
ANIMAL CONTROL SALARY	0.00	3577.00	69.00	0.00	0.00	3646.00	3576.96	69.04
ANIMAL CONTROL EXPENSE	0.00	1800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1800.00	1800.00	0.00
PARKING CLERK SALARY	0.00	324.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	331.00	324.00	7.00
PARKING CLERK EXPENSE	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	170.55	79.45
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	0.00	436440.00	5991.00	690.00	0.00	443121.00	437815.84	5305.16
HEALTH								
BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENSE	0.00	5000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5000.00	5000.00	0.00
FOOD SERVICE OFFICER	0.00	219.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	224.00	219.00	5.00
TOWN NURSE SALARY	0.00	2993.00	58.00	0.00	0.00	3051.00	2907.78	143.22
ANIMAL INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	379.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	386.00	379.00	7.00
WTLX INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00
SEWER COMMISSIONERS SALARIES	0.00	1680.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1680.00	1680.00	0.00
SEWER COMMISSIONERS EXPENSE	0.00	2300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2300.00	2300.00	0.00
SEWER LONGEVITY	0.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	700.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT SALARIES	0.00	84836.00	1608.00	0.00	0.00	86442.00	86442.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT OVERTIME	0.00	11006.00	213.00	0.00	0.00	11219.00	11219.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT UTILITIES	0.00	41200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	41200.00	41200.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT EQUIP & MAINT	0.00	22000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22000.00	22000.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT PURCHASES SERVICES	0.00	16500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16500.00	16500.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT ESCAV & ROADWORK	0.00	2900.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2900.00	2900.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT SLUDGE	0.00	26200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26200.00	26200.00	0.00

SEWER PLANT REPLACEMENT FD.	0.00	25000.00	0.00	150.83	0.00	25150.83	25150.83	0.00
SEWER PLANT CLERK SALARY	0.00	15197.00	295.00	0.00	0.00	15492.00	15492.00	0.00
TOTAL HEALTH	0.00	257240.00	2184.00	150.83	0.00	259574.83	259419.61	155.22
HIGHWAY								
HIGHWAY SUPERS SALARY	0.00	30630.00	584.00	0.00	0.00	31214.00	31214.00	0.00
HIGHWAY WAGES	0.00	68598.00	1332.00	0.00	0.00	69930.00	69330.61	599.39
HIGHWAY OVERTIME	0.00	11995.00	233.00	0.00	0.00	12228.00	9205.47	3022.53
HIGHWAY LONGEVITY	0.00	750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	0.00
THICKLY SETTLED	0.00	16000.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	16700.00	16700.00	0.00
ROAD MACHINERY	0.00	10000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10000.00	9996.64	3.36
SNOW & WASHOUTS	0.00	25000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25000.00	20738.10	4261.90
HIGHWAY FUEL	0.00	7000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7000.00	4366.73	2633.27
DILING ROADS	0.00	10000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10000.00	10000.00	0.00
SIDEWALKS,RAILS,BRIDGES	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	2000.00	0.00
REPAIRS TO PVT. WAYS	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	2000.00	0.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY	0.00	183973.00	2849.00	0.00	0.00	186822.00	176301.55	10520.45
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE								
COUNCIL ON AGING								
DIRECTOR SALARY	0.00	15747.00	305.00	0.00	0.00	16052.00	15749.08	302.92
CLERK SALARY	0.00	4786.00	93.00	0.00	0.00	4879.00	4174.80	704.20
JANITOR SALARY	0.00	746.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	746.00	530.00	216.00
COUNCIL ON AGING EXPENSE	0.00	3170.00	0.00	612.00	0.00	3782.00	3782.00	0.00
VETERANS BENEFITS	0.00	3000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00	16.80	2983.20
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER SALAR	0.00	569.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	569.00	0.00	569.00
SERVICE OFFICER EXPENSE	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
MEMORIAL DAY	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
CARE OF VETERANS GRAVES	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00
TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	0.00	28968.00	398.00	612.00	0.00	29978.00	25052.68	4925.32
SCHOOLS								
WHITTIER ASSESSMENT	0.00	249525.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	249525.00	249525.00	0.00
PENTUCKET REGIONAL ASSESSMENT	0.00	2615960.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2615960.00	2458043.25	157916.75
TOTAL SCHOOLS	0.00	2865485.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2865485.00	2707568.25	157916.75
LIBRARY								
LIBRARY WAGES	0.00	60679.00	2510.00	0.00	0.00	63189.00	60299.91	2889.09
LIBRARY EXPENSE	0.00	20564.00	0.00	1000.00	0.00	21564.00	21563.88	0.12
TOTAL LIBRARIES	0.00	81243.00	2510.00	1000.00	0.00	84753.00	81863.79	2889.21
PARKS & RECREATION								
PLAYGROUND WAGES	0.00	10506.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10506.00	10506.00	0.00
PLAYGROUND EXPENSE	0.00	16083.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16083.00	15781.94	301.06
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	0.00	26589.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26589.00	26287.94	301.06
UNCLASSIFIED								

HANDICAP DIAL-A-RIDE	1640.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1640.00	0.00	1640.00
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	285212.21	400931.00	568400.00	2398.30	25282.00	1231659.51	1049841.98	181817.53
MATURING DEBT								
WATER PROJECT 1980	0.00	8500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8500.00	8500.00	0.00
SEWER # 1	0.00	34500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34500.00	34500.00	0.00
SEWER # 2	0.00	19565.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19565.00	19565.00	0.00
MULTI-PURPOSE	0.00	25070.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25070.00	25070.00	0.00
SAND FILTER # 1	0.00	80000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80000.00	80000.00	0.00
SAND FILTER # 2	0.00	30000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30000.00	30000.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 1	0.00	20000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20000.00	20000.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 2	0.00	15000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15000.00	15000.00	0.00
SCHOOL BUILDING	0.00	325000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	325000.00	325000.00	0.00
SCHOOL BLD. # 2	0.00	29800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29800.00	0.00	29800.00
TOTAL MATURING DEBT	0.00	587435.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	587435.00	557635.00	29800.00
INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT								
WATER PROJECT 1980	0.00	425.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	425.00	425.00	0.00
SEWER # 1	0.00	30187.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30187.00	30187.48	-0.48
SEWER # 2	0.00	8315.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8315.00	8315.12	-0.12
MULTI-PURPOSE	0.00	890.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	890.00	889.99	0.01
SAND FILTER # 1	0.00	99340.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	99340.00	99340.00	0.00
SAND FILTER # 2	0.00	4170.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4170.00	4170.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 1	0.00	3450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3450.00	3450.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 2	0.00	2993.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2993.00	2992.50	0.50
SCHOOL BUILDING	0.00	394695.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	394695.00	364687.50	30007.50
SCHOOL BLD # 2	0.00	64283.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64283.00	39430.01	24852.99
TOTAL INTEREST ON MATURING DEB	0.00	608748.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	608748.00	553887.60	54860.40
PUBLIC ENTERPRISE								
WATER DEPARTMENT---								
MANAGER SALARY	0.00	14336.00	278.00	0.00	0.00	14614.00	14614.00	0.00
CLERK SALARY	0.00	7823.00	152.00	0.00	0.00	7975.00	7934.40	40.60
WAGES	0.00	83382.00	1619.00	0.00	0.00	85001.00	76451.80	8549.20
OVERTIME	0.00	21147.00	411.00	0.00	0.00	21558.00	11752.74	9805.26
COMMISSIONERS SALARIES	0.00	840.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	840.00	840.00	0.00
EXPENSE	0.00	164400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	164400.00	164400.00	0.00
ESCAVATION & ROADWORK	0.00	6015.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6015.00	5983.38	31.62
TOTAL PUBLIC ENTERPRISE	0.00	297943.00	2460.00	0.00	0.00	300403.00	281976.32	18426.68
CEMETERY								
CEMETERY WAGES	0.00	19900.00	386.00	0.00	0.00	20286.00	20286.00	0.00
CENTERY P/T WAGES	0.00	4500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4500.00	4500.00	0.00
TRUSTEES	0.00	170.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	170.00	170.00	0.00
CLERK	0.00	966.00	19.00	0.00	0.00	985.00	985.00	0.00
CARE,IMPROV & EMBELLISHMENT	956.43	0.00	1100.00	0.00	0.00	2056.43	945.00	1111.43
RECYCLING WAGES	0.00	7098.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7098.00	5820.75	1277.25

RECYCLING EXPENSE	0.00	4125.00	0.00	3200.00	0.00	7325.00	6580.04	744.96
TOTAL CEMETERY & RECYCLING	956.43	36759.00	1505.00	3200.00	0.00	42420.43	39286.79	3133.64
TOTAL APPROPRIATION & EXPENDIT	286168.64	6106688.00	587980.00	8478.13	25282.00	6964032.77	6480203.01	483829.76

FUND #	ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
	01-1020-000	FETTY CASH	480.00	
	01-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	1,333,066.00	
TAXES RECEIVABLE				
01-1210-095		PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,204.12	
01-1210-094		PERSONAL PROPERTY	834.52	
01-1210-093		PERSONAL PROPERTY	2,087.13	
01-1210-092		PERSONAL PROPERTY	879.87	
01-1210-091		PERSONAL PROPERTY	543.19	
01-1210-090		PERSONAL PROPERTY	169.50	
01-1220-095		REAL ESTATE	131,528.80	
01-1220-094		REAL ESTATE	281.77	
OVERLAY				
01-1230-095		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTI	0.00	7,722.19
01-1230-094		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTI	4,199.38	0.00
01-1230-093		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS		3,477.33
01-1230-092		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTI	1,064.28	0.00
01-1230-091		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTI	500.01	
01-1230-090		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS		414.45
TAX LIENS RECEIVABLE				
01-1240-000		M.V. EXCISE	155,401.62	
01-1260-095		M.V. EXCISE	27,871.98	
01-1260-094		M.V. EXCISE	6,263.37	
01-1260-093		M.V. EXCISE	4,645.33	
01-1260-092		M.V. EXCISE	2,609.91	0.00
01-1270-096		BOAT EXCISE	0.00	
01-1310-000		USER CHARGES A/R WATER	36,176.97	
01-1311-000		USER CHARGES A/R SEWER	27,713.22	
01-1130-095		UTILITY LIENS LIGHT	340.11	
01-1330-095		UTILITY LIENS WATER	2,891.40	0.00
01-1330-091		UTILITY LIENS WATER	842.36	
01-1331-095		UTILITY LIENS SEWER	1,583.15	
01-1331-091		UTILITY LIENS SEWER	2,171.61	
01-1340-001		DEPARTMENTAL A/R AMBULANCE	16,240.92	0.00
01-1410-000		UNAPPORTIONED SPEC. ASSESS.	56,107.09	0.00
01-1470-095		A/R SEWER APPORTIONMENT	880.27	0.00
01-1470-094		A/R SEWER APPORTIONMENT	57.64	
01-1880-000		TAX FORECLOSURES	32,601.34	
MISCELLANEOUS				
01-2120-000		PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS PAYABLE		(8,172.36)
01-2520-000		ABAN. PROPERTY/UNCLAIMED ITEMS		0.00
01-2530-000		ESCROW	0.00	2,877.07
01-2530-002		ESCROW-PLANNING BOARD		11,662.00
DEFERRED REVENUE				
01-2610-000		REAL & PERSONAL PROPERTY	0.00	131,678.60

01-2622-000	TAX LIENS	155,401.62
01-2623-000	TAX FORECLOSURES	32,601.34
01-2630-000	M.V. EXCISE	41,390.59
01-2641-000	BOAT EXCISE	0.00
01-2651-000	USER CHARGES	63,890.19
01-2653-000	UTILITY LIENS	7,828.63
01-2654-000	DEPARTMENTAL	16,240.92
01-2660-000	SPECIAL ASSESSMENT SEWER	57,045.00
01-2710-000	B.A. NOTE PAYABLE	327,500.00
	FUND BALANCE-----	
01-3214-000	CONTINUED APPROPRIATIONS	133,888.86
01-3240-000	RESERVE FOR EXPENDITURES	0.00
01-3250-000	RESERVE FOR PETTY CASH	480.00
01-3250-001	RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP.-SEWER	22,567.33
01-3250-002	RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP.-WATER	131,932.73
01-3250-003	RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP.-CONS. COMM.	2,502.58
01-3250-004	RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP.-LANDFILL	101,387.39
01-3590-000	UNRESTRICTED/UNDESIGNATED F.B.	571,920.40
01-3590-002	UNRESTR./UNDES. WATER SURPLUS	35,000.00
01-3592-000	UNRES. DESIGNATED APPROP. DEFICIT	0.00

01-3810-000	BUDGETARY	
01-3815-000	ESTIMATED TAX LEVY	0.00
01-3820-000	ESTIMATED OTHER REVENUE	0.00
01-3830-000	EST. OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES	0.00
01-3860-000	APPROPRIATIONS	
01-3870-000	OTHER AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES	0.00
01-3880-000	EST. OTHER FINANCIAL USES	0.00
01-3890-000	BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE	0.00
	BUDGETARY CONTROL	

01-3910	ACTUAL REVENUE	0.00
01-3920-000	OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES	0.00
01-3930-000	EXPENDITURES	
01-3950-000	PRIOR YEAR EXPENDITURES	0.00
01-3970-000	OTHER FINANCIAL USES	0.00

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SUBSIDIARY REVENUE CONTROL

01-4000	REVENUE CONTROL	
01-4110	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	0.00
01-4120	REAL ESTATE TAXES	0.00
01-4142	TAX LIENS	0.00
01-4150	M.V. EXCISE	0.00
01-4161	BOAT EXCISE	0.00
01-4171	INTEREST & PENALTIES REAL & P.F.	0.00
01-4172	INTEREST & PENALTIES EXCISE	0.00
01-4173	TAX TITLE INTEREST	0.00
01-4174	TAX TITLE COSTS	0.00
01-4180	PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	0.00
01-4220	SEWER BETTERMENTS	0.00
01-4270	OTHER CHARGES	0.00

01-4214	SEWER		0.00
01-4321	FEES		0.00
01-4321	FEES TRAILER PARKS		0.00
01-4360	RENTALS		0.00
01-4410	LIQUOR LICENSE		0.00
01-4450	PERMITS		0.00
01-4613	REIMBURSE-VETERANS		0.00
01-4614	SURVIVING SPOUSE		0.00
01-4615	BLIND PERSONS		0.00
01-4645	ABATEMENT TO THE ELDERLY		0.00
01-4630	SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION		0.00
01-0000	R.N.V. FINES		0.00
01-4671	STATE AID		0.00
01-4770	FINES		0.00
01-4820	EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS		0.00
01-4840	MISCELLANEOUS-PENSION		0.00
FUND # 13			0.00
HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS			
013-1040	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	79,859.45	
013-3214	CHAPTER 90		79,859.45
TOTAL		79,859.45	79,859.45
FUND # 29			
SPECIAL REVENUE			
29-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	20,339.57	
FUND BALANCE-----			
29-3300-001	RECEIPTS SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS		3,950.00
29-3300-004	RECEIPTS STATE AID TO LIBRARIES		5,042.17
29-3520-002	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS ART'S COUNCIL		6,681.49
29-3520-003	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS COA ELDER AFFAIRS		549.58
29-3520-007	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS CIVIL DEFENSE		903.67
29-3520-008	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS D.A.R.E. POLICE		218.58
29-3560-002	DESIG.FOR REVOLVING FUNDS POLICE DEPT.		42.00
29-3560-003	DESIG.FOR REVOLVING FUNDS DAMAGE REST. POLICE		447.38
29-3560-006	DESIG.FOR REVOLVING FUNDS WATER DAMAGE REST.		4,192.98
29-4699-001	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS POLL HOURS		146.00
29-4690-001	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS LIBRARY INCENTIVE		0.00
29-4690-002	DESIG.FOR STATE GRANTS MUNIC. EQUAL.		165.72
TOTAL		20,339.57	22,339.57
FUND # 30			
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS			
30-1040-002	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	(244,719.13)	
30-3190-002	SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT		(244,719.13)
TOTAL		(244,719.13)	(244,719.13)

FUND # 62 ENTERPRISE LIGHT OPERATIONS		
62-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	192,631.96
62-1050-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	288,915.79
62-1310-000	USER CHARGES RECEIVABLE	89,893.48
62-2651-000	DEFERRED REVENUE-USER CHARGES	89,893.48
62-3289-000	F/B RESERVE FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES	288,915.79
62-3190-001	APPROPRIATIONS GENERAL	192,631.96
	TOTAL	571,441.23
FUND # 82 NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST		
82-1050-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	180,605.43
82-3400-007	UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE DESIGNATED PERPETUAL CARE	180,605.43
	TOTAL	180,605.43
FUND # 84 EXPENDABLE TRUST		
84-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	192,383.38
84-1050-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	41,100.00
	UNRESTRICT. F/BALANCE DESIGNATED--	
	KIMBALL PARK	
84-3400-001	ALBERT WAPLEIGH	9,239.59
84-3400-002	ARMSTRONG--MCINNIS	9,930.81
84-3400-003	SWEETSIR	5,909.75
84-3400-004	THOMAS HOYT	5,538.36
84-3400-005	STABILIZATION FUND	27,923.56
84-3400-008	LIBRARY BOOKS PRINC.	159,521.96
84-3400-009	LIBRARY TRUST-BOOKS	6,600.00
84-3400-109	CEMETERY PERP. CARE	380.16
84-3400-010	KIMBALL PARK CARE	8,159.67
84-3400-011	GROUP INSURANCE	(35.00)
84-3400-012	HARRY ROBINSON LOT	(1,830.45)
84-3400-013		2,144.97
	TOTAL	233,483.38
FUND # 97 LONG TERM DEBT		
97-1996-000	AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED FOR PAYMENTS OF BONDS	8,240,520.00
	BONDS OUTSIDE DEBT LIMIT:	
97-2940-004	SEWER # 1	586,500.00
97-2940-005	SEWER # 2	156,520.00
97-2940-011	SAND-FILTER # 1	1,360,000.00
97-2940-012	SAND-FILTER # 2	30,000.00
97-2940-013	BELT PRESS # 1	40,000.00
97-2940-014	BELT PRESS # 2	30,000.00
97-2940-015	SCHOOL BUILDING	5,940,000.00

97-2940-016	SEWER MULTI-PURPOSE	97,500.00
97-3760-000	BOND AUTHORIZED (MEMO)	0.00
97-3770-000	BONDS AUTH. BUT UNISSUED (MEMO)	0.00
TOTAL		8,240,520.00
CASH SUMMARY		
ALL FUNDS		
01-1020-000	PETTY CASH	480.00
01-1040-000	CASH GENERAL FUND *	1,333,066.00
13-1040-000	CASH HIGHWAY FUND *	79,859.45
29-1040-000	CASH SPECIAL REVENUE *	20,339.57
30-1040-000	CASH CAPITOL IMPROV. *	(244,719.13)
62-1040-000	CASH LIGHT DEPARTMENT *	192,631.96
62-1050-000	CASH LIGHT DEPRECIATION	288,915.79
82-1050-000	CASH PERPETUAL CARE	180,605.43
84-1040-000	CASH TRUST FUNDS *	192,383.38
84-1050-000	CASH TRUST FUNDS	41,100.00
TOTAL		2,084,662.45

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CASH BOOK TOTAL *** 1,573,561.23

Annual Report of the Board of Sewer Commissioners

The following is the report of the Board of Sewer Commissioners for the calendar year 1995.

The Merrimac Wastewater Treatment Facility is an extended aeration oxidation ditch process designed to treat 450,000 gallons of raw sewage and 1,000 gallons of septage per day.

In 1995, 125,796,000 gallons of raw sewage and 22,000 gallons of septage were treated. The average daily flow treated was 341,908 gallons of raw sewage and 60 gallons of septage. The facility ended 1995 operating at 76% of capacity.

The waste treatment process generated 418 cubic yards of wet sludge that were recycled for agricultural reuse as approved by the Mass. DEP and N.H. DES.

The treatment plant was upgraded by Mass. DEP from a Grade 4 to a Grade 5 due to the increase in flow and sludge.

Revenue FY95

Invoiced User Fees:

\$272,442.20	(\$23,686.34 uncollected)
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Collected:

User Fees	261,916.95
Liens	2,973.73
Septage	<u>1,280.00</u>
Total Collected	266,170.68

Expenditures:

O&M	250,733.00
Interest Belt 1&2	<u>6,443.00</u>
Total Expended	257,176.00

Development Fund:

Balance end of FY 94	31,569.87
Collected FY 95	<u>39,310.84</u>
Total	70,880.71

Expended

Principal Belt 1&2	35,000.00
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Balance End of FY95 35,880.71

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur D. Evans
Chairman, Board of Sewer Commissioners

Board of Sewer Commissioners:

Arthur D. Evans
14 Nichols Street
346-8428
Term Expires 1998

John M. Cryan
102 River Road
346-8260
Term Expires 1996

Richard J. Powers
1 Willowdale Drive
346-8191
Term Expires 1997

Annual Report of the Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report for Fiscal Year 1996 (July 1, 1995-June 30, 1996).

This was a rather unique year. We now have our computer system up on line, with a terminal available for use by the public. By the end of the fiscal year we should be tied in with the Essex South District Registry of Deeds in Salem, MA. which will allow us access to the Grantor, Grantee information.

As everyone knows, due to circumstances beyond the control of the Assessors, we were unable to set the tax rate in time to send out actual third quarter tax bills. Therefore, we asked for volunteer payments so as to keep the town running without borrowing. The response was wonderful and on behalf of all the departments we would like to thank all those who responded.

The tax rate of \$16.72 was approved on February 21, 1996. This represents an increase of \$1.64. Prior to the tax rate being set, there was discussion of calling a "Special Town Meeting" to use Certified Free Cash for Fiscal 1997 (\$308,388) to reduce the Fiscal 1996 tax rate. The Board of Assessors felt this was not the way to do business and would be setting a bad precedent. We would like to remind everyone that "Free Cash" certified for Fiscal Year 1996 was \$490,000+/- and none of that was used to reduce the tax rate. At a planned Special Town Meeting on December 4, 1994 the Town took \$200,000 to reduce the Fiscal 1995 tax rate and spent the rest in the spring to pay for Special Articles, leaving none to reduce the tax rate. The Town cannot continue to do business in this manner and hope to maintain good Bond Ratings.

If you have any questions, please call the Assessor's office and someone will get back to you.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Board of Assessors

Martha A. Schena, MAA, Chairwoman
Edward R. Davis, MAA
George W. Mutti, MAA

Term Expires 1998
Term Expires 1997
Term Expires 1996

Tax Rate Recapitulation Fiscal 1996

1. Tax Rate Summary:

A. Total Amount to be Raised	\$7,120,781.37
B. Estimated Receipts and Revenue	2,941,528.76
C. Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	4,179,252.61
D. Classified Tax Levies:	
Residential	91.7995
Open Space	0
Commercial	4.8177
Industrial	1.9396
Personal	1.4432
Total	100.00%

2. Amount to be Raised:

A. Appropriations	\$7,014,129.00
B2 Debt & Interest Charges	10,350.86
B3 Final Court Judgments	1,054.44
B4 Overlay Deficits	5,763.67
B5 Cherry Sheet Offsets	5,933.00
C. State & County Charges	23,101.97
D. Overlay	47,307.40
E. Total Amount to be Raised	7,120,781.37

3. Estimated Receipts and Other Revenue Sources:

A. Estimated Receipts - State	969,835.00
B. Estimated Receipts - Local	1,496,514.76
C. Revenue Appropriated	396,210.00
D. Other Revenues to Reduce Tax Rate	78,969.00
E. Total	2,941,528.76

Number of Accounts Taxable - Real Estate:

Apartment Buildings	4
Commercial	55
Condominium	109
Industrial	21
Residential - single family	1262
Residential - two family	128
Residential - three family	7
Residential - four family	5
Residential/Commercial mixed	64
Residential - land	296
Total Accounts	1951
Number of Accounts Taxable - Personal Property	135

Annual Report of the Merrimac Planning Board

The Merrimac Planning Board held 20 meetings during the past year and 6 General Meetings of the Open Space Sub-Committees.

A Hearing was held on proposed change in the Sub-Division Rules. These changes were passed at the Annual Town Meeting.

A Hearing was held on the former Orchard View subdivision, now the Colonial Drive.

Birch Meadow sub-division, under Hale Development has completed Phase One and started on Phase Two.

Meetings have been held on West Parish sub-division with Brian Boyle, the new owner and his Staff.

Merrimac Planning Board:

Arthur Evans, Chairman

Joseph Carter, Vice Chairman & Rep to MVPC

W. Earl Baumgardner, Clerk

Richard Gosselin

Arthur O'Keefe

Annual Report of the Merrimac Playground Commission

The Playground Commission enjoyed a productive and successful year. The most significant accomplishment of the year was completing the excavation and site work at Carriagetown Park on Emery Street. We would like to take this occasion to thank the citizens and taxpayers of Merrimac for the significant support of this project. This project could not have been completed without your support. Our special thanks goes out to the many individuals who gave of their time and resources to make this dream a reality. This spirit of community helps to make Merrimac the wonderful place that it is. This area will provide recreational opportunities for all of the citizens of the town.

We are also happy to report that a number of other facilities were renovated and open to the public in the past year. At our Locust Street location the tennis courts were reopened, horseshoe and bocce playing areas were established and a volleyball court is under construction. The most significant renovation of our facilities occurred at Indian Head Park. The Commission was able to begin a revitalization of the beach area. It is our intention to continue to maintain and upgrade this wonderful town resource with your continued support. On the Locust Street fields we were able to complete several important maintenance projects. We appreciate the dedication and hard work of our maintenance staff. We would also like to acknowledge the invaluable help of the Highway Department, their assistance is important in providing recreation services to the town.

The Commission was able to run a very successful summer Supervised Play program for six weeks during the summer. Over 180 children registered for this program and were engaged in a variety of recreational, athletic and arts and crafts activities. We thank our summer staff for a job well done! We were very excited to be able to house the program rain or shine. We thank the School Committee, Ms. Autiello and the staff at the school for their support and assistance.

The Merrimac Athletic Association and Merrimac Soccer Club serviced over 500 children in the town. As always, these programs depend on hundreds of hours given by volunteers to organize, coach and support these important activities.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Stevens
Thomas Graziano
James Hume
Wayne Bickford
David Riley

Term Expires 1996
Term Expires 1997
Term Expires 1998
Term Expires 1999
Term Expires 2000

Annual Report of the Office of Treasurer

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Merrimac:

The Fiscal Year that ended June 30th, and the 1995 Calendar Year were quite eventful and very illuminating for your new Treasurer.

Eventful in that we finally issued \$1,105,000.00 in bonds that had been approved by Town Meetings in 1988 and 1993, for reconstruction work at the Donaghue and Sweetsir Schools and the purchases of a fire truck and highway truck, in mid August.

Illuminating in that I quickly learned, that although there is only one Treasurer, the success of the office depends on the help and cooperation of all the folks in the various departments and committees in town. The assistance of the Selectmen's, Assessors' and Tax Collector's Offices as well as the Regional School Administration, enabled me to pull together the many and varied pieces of information necessary to produce the Official Statement for the bonding. Jeff Hoyt, Chairman of Board of Selectmen, Geof Milstein, Chair of the Finance Committee and Dave Hitchcock, the Town Accountant participated in conference calls with BayBank and Moody's to ensure "my" first bond sale went off without a hitch. A special note of thanks to Gerry Wallace who took the time to walk me through the exercise until I became comfortable with it. As hard as we tried the best we could do was to continue our Baa1 rating, with the hope of an A rating on our next issue.

The time required for the bonding, learning the ropes and putting a stick in the ground, from which to begin reconciling revenues and disbursements took a great deal of time. I was fortunate to be able to call on the folks at the Department of Revenue and the town's current audit firm Jones, Camp & Associates for assistance. The delay in reconciling the June 30, 1995 Treasurer's Cash with the Town Accountant put off the certification of the towns 1995 "free cash" by the Department of Revenue until February, 1996.

In closing, let me take just a moment to thank Dave Hitchcock, the Town Accountant, for his help, encouragement and professional knowledge that keeps me and the town of the straight and narrow, and Tom Abisalih, whose "MacExpertise" saved my life, and the Treasurer's records more than once.

Respectfully submitted, Roger Morphett, Treasurer

Annual Report of the Office of Town Clerk

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen,

As Town Clerk of the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1995.

Births:

Number of births recorded	64
Males	26
Females	38
Father, native born	62
Mother, native born	62
Father and Mother both native born	61
Father and Mother both foreign born	1
Mixed parentage	2

Marriages:

Number of marriages recorded	36
First marriage of groom	23
First marriage of bride	23
Groom, native born	34
Bride, native born	35
Average age of groom	32yrs/9ms
Average age of bride	32yrs/3ms

Deaths:

Number of deaths recorded	47
Males	26
Females	21
Under five years	1
Males, native born	25
Females, native born	19
Parents, native born	26
Parents, foreign born	10
Mixed parentage	11
Average age	69
Oldest person	95

Licenses:

Total dog licenses	267
Male	142
Female	6
Spayed Female	119
Kennel licenses	1
Sporting licenses	178
Minor's sporting licenses	1

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia E. True
Town Clerk

Annual Report of the Merrimac Tree Warden

To the Merrimac Board of Selectmen and the Townspeople of Merrimac,

The Merrimac Tree Warden has had a good year. I anticipate bringing back the old policy of “remove a tree plant a new tree”. The Tree Warden would like to express thanks to the Merrimac Highway Department, especially Superintendent Gordon Rines.

Respectfully Submitted,
N. Wayne Armstrong
Merrimac Tree Warden

Actions Taken at Special Town Meeting

Held on May 1, 1995 at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to approve the additional amount of borrowing authorized by the Pentucket Regional School District School Committee in the sum of ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,235,000.00) for the school addition and renovation project consisting of the construction, reconstruction, adding to, equipping, remodeling or making extraordinary repairs to the regional high school and the regional junior high school, that this appropriation be raised by incurring debt by the issuance of bonds or notes provided that the rules for incurring debt under the regional agreement are adhered to; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$1,235,000.00*

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money in the amount of thirty four thousand dollars (\$34,000.00) form Free Cash to Group Health Insurance; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$34,000.00*

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money in the amount of five thousand six hundred dollars (\$5,600.00) from Free Cash to F.I.C.A. Town's Share; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$5,600.00*

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) from Patrolmen's Wages Account to Overtime Account; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$500.00*

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money in the amount of fourteen thousand four hundred and seventy dollars (\$14,470.00) form available funds to pay retroactive increases in the following areas: Selectmen's Clerk, Accountant, Treasurer, Town Counsel, Bd. of Registrars, Election Officers, Police Chief, Patrolmen's Wages, Patrolmen Night Premium, Paid Holidays, Overtime, Specials, Fire Department Wages, Gas Inspector, Wiring Inspector, Building Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Tree Warden, Animal Control Officer, Parking Clerk, Food Service Inspector, Town Nurse, Library Wages, Animal Inspector, Sewer Salaries, Sewer Overtime, Sewer Clerk, Highway Supt., Highway Wages, Highway Overtime, COA Director, COA Clerk, Water Department Man-

ager, Water Department Clerk, Water Department Wages, Water Department Overtime, Cemetery Wages, Cemetery Clerk; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$16,980.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for necessary repairs to the exterior of the Merrimac Town Hall; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$10,000.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize receipts for Front End Process Residue (FEPR) to be reserved for appropriation for the cost relative to closure of the sanitary landfill; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Special Account for FEPR a sum of money to pay for costs relative to closure of the sanitary landfill; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$100,000.00

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$100,000.00

Give under our hands this 12th day of April, 1995.

Walter W. Steeves, Chairman

Jeffrey W. Hoyt

Sandra H. Venner

Actions Taken at Annual Town Meeting

Held on May 1, 1995 at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School

2nd continued to June ___, 1995..

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended: Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectman, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, Three Sewer Commissioners, and raise, appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore and to determine sums of money to be raised, or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1995 and make appropriations for the same, said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1995; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$11,000.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the cemetery trustees for the "Care, Improvement, and Embellishment, of said cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, Section 14 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$3,630.00

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the operation and maintenance of the Sanitary Landfill for Fiscal Year 1996; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$100,000.00

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay engineering services for supervision and inspection of the sanitary landfill for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1995; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$21,600.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the reserve fund for appropriation for revaluation, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$5,000.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization or revaluation of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$10.00 per hour and to hire such necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$6,000.00

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1995; or take any other action relative thereto.

Tabled

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986 which amend Chapter 59, Section 5 of Massachusetts General Laws, Clause Forty One C (to provide for exemptions for persons over the age of 70); or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund the amount of \$33,500.00 to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for hydraulic analysis required to obtain Water Management Permit; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$33,500.00

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund the amount of \$5,000.00 to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the installation of groundwater monitoring wells, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$5,000.00

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appropriation from the transfer of FY94 Water Department surplus funds to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the purpose of upgrading the East Main Street Wellfield, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$52,000.00

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appropriation or transfer of FY94 Water Department surplus funds to be expended by the Water Department for the purpose of upgrading the water system; or take any other action relative thereto. *Tabled*

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to establish a bylaw entitled "Water Supply Conservation Bylaw" which establishes enforceable limitations on the use of water during temporary periods of high water demand; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed*

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws, Article 1, Section II, to read "Quorum at Town Meeting, Annual and Special, four percent (4%) of registered voters of the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto. *Tabled*

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for inspections for the Sewer Department, or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$2,000.00*

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money to pay for Principal Belt 1, or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$20,000.00*

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money to pay Principal Belt II, or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$15,000.00*

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for upgrading the alarm system at the Sewer Plant, or take any other action relative thereto. *Tabled*

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in the amount of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1,600.00) to purchase a new photo-copier machine for the Senior Center, or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$1,600.00*

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be used to pay the publication and legal expenses of the Rent Control Board; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$1,000.00*

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a truck for the Cemetery Department; or take any other action thereto. *Tabled*

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purchase of the Police Cruiser with safety equipment; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$22,000.00*

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the purchase of bulletproof vests for all police officers, said funds to be reimbursed one hundred percent (100%) by the state; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$7,380.00*

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the installation of carpeting in the police station; or take other action relative thereto. *Passed \$1,500.00*

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for training of dispatchers in Enhanced 9-1-1 as required by the Criminal Justice Training Council; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$1,000.00*

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for upgrades and enhancement of the teletype and leaps terminal; or take action relative thereto. *Passed \$2,000.00*

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for additional funding for the installation of Enhanced 9-1-1 equipment; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed \$1,000.00*

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to place an article on the ballot for debt exclusion to fund closure of the landfill; or take any other action relative thereto. *Passed*

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to install new drain line on Summer Street to replace old drain line; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$7,500.00

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to install new drain line from Red Oak Acres across land of Frederick Underwood to correct water problem at Red Oak Acres, or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$2,575.00

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase a reconditioned street sweeper for the Highway Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$15,000.00

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of conducting a feasibility study and schematic drawings for a Public Library expansion project; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$15,000.00

ARTICLE 34 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for work on Town Hall roof and clock tower; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$10,000.00

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a new truck and equipment to be made into a Rescue Truck for the Fire Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$40,000.00

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to replace the ladder on the existing ladder truck of the Fire Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

Placed \$100,000.00 in Stabilization

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate sum of money for the purchase of a new ladder truck for the Fire Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

Tabled

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate sum of money to purchase new Protective Gear for the members of Hose Company #1. This gear must conform to the standards of the N.F.P.A. and the Mass Fire Academy; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$40,000.00

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to add the following to its bylaws:

“Prior to any sale of a home, that a garage attached to any building used for habitation, shall have a fire protection was of 5/8" sheet rock separating the two buildings, a door of one hour rating, and shall have heat detectors installed and attached to an audible alarm near the bedrooms. The heat detectors shall be located by the Fire Chief or his designee.”

“Prior to any sale of a home used for habitation with a garage under, the home shall have 5/8" sheet rock on the ceiling and on any wall that is adjacent to living space, with a door of one hour rating”; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept Heather Circle as a completed road and thereby eligible to receive town services; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to accept and name as public ways, Burnside Lane and Dunvegan Drive as shown on plan entitled, “Definitive Subdivision Plan North Valley Estates-Section 1, Merrimac, Mass. Scale: 1" = 40' Date: October 1, 1987, Owner & Applicant: North Valley Ltd. Partnership, 8 Wyncrest Circle, Andover, Mass.” recorded with the Essex South District Registry of Deeds in Book Plans 236, Plan 64; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 42. To see of the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for Data Processing Expenses for Town Accountant; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$495.00

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Board of Selectmen to be held for the purpose of conveyance, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey a driveway easement, for the purposes of

ingress and egress to an existing dwelling by motor vehicle or otherwise, over a rectangular parcel of land containing 1,050 square feet, located adjacent to the northeasterly boundary of land owned by Stephen and Allison Gadd at 105 River Road, which easement is a portion of land shown at Assessors Plot 51, a Lot 381-3, all as shown on a copy of a survey plan on file at the Town Clerk's office, it being understood that the Town Shall not bear any fees in connection with the transaction, and the said transaction shall be subject to compliance with the applicable provisions of the Uniform Procurement Act; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to repeal General Bylaw Article 9, Sections 4 and 17 (Regarding Dogs and Animals); or take any other action relative thereto.

Tabled

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for costs relative to closure of the Sanitary Landfill; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed \$20,000.00

Give under our hands this 21st day of April, 1995

Walter W. Steeves, Chairman

Jeffrey W. Hoyt

Sandra H. Venner

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